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THE BIG FOUR IN NEW YORK.—Last Thursday these representatives of the Big Four met to discuss "guidelines" for a Middle East settlement. They are left to right: Sir Colin Crowe (UK), J. Kosciusko-Morizet (France), V. Issraelyan (USSR), C. Yost (United States).

'QUICKIE' CONVERSIONS DEFENDED

a JCNS exclusive from Vienna

Two members of Israel's highest rabbinical court, Rabbis Shmuel Werner and Itzhak Kolitz have returned to Israel after spending two weeks here to investigate the alleged "quickie" conversions criticised by ultraOrthodox elements in Israel.

Dr. Akiba Eisenberg, the Chief Rabbi of Vienna, told your correspondent he was convinced that the Israeli visitors would be satisfied that all halachic requirements hve been fully complied with in the conversions. The procedure never took less than six weeks.

To discontinue the conversion procedure, he said, might not only cause great hardship to the people concerned, but might seriously hinder future emigration from all Communist countries to Israel.

People in the Soviet Union who risk their freedom, and possibly even their lives, by applying for exit permits to go to Israel must be considered gere tsedek (righteous proselytes).

Their very wish to arrive in Israel as Jews justified the accelerated conversion procedure, Dr. Eisenberg emphasised.

Luba Bershadskaja has been described as "...one of those larger-than-life heroines the human race now and then produces to put the rest of us in perspective."

She emigrated from Moscow to Israel last July and is now touring the United States and Canada to bring to American audiences a plea for justice for those Soviet Jews who are seeking legal exit visas in accordance with Article 13/2 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. (See CAMPUS Feature, page 8.)

Commentary

by M.J. NURENBERGER

CLOUDS OVER ISRAEL

The diplomatic double talk from Cairo, probably inspired by Moscow and other "friends" of the Arabs, has resulted in a serious political crisis in Jerusalem.

Every day Mr. Sadat repeats himself in telling any journalistic Tom, Dick or Harry that he is ready for peace. This "peace agreement", however, is based on one condition only: that the Israelis relinquish control of the Sinai Peninsula, that they give up all they gained during the Six-Day War, and that they fulfill their "obligations" according to the United Nations resolutions.

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Egypt's reference to UN decisions is even more ominous than its demands for withdrawal from newly won territory. The Israeli government, despite serious opposition from considerable numbers of its people, has never made acquisition of new territory a condition of peace. In fact, whenever the problem of pacification in the Middle East has arisen, Jerusalem's official stand has always been:

Everything is negotiable except positions vital to the security of Israel. Another fundamental condition is the unity of Jerusalem. The Israeli government will never allow the Holy City to become the Berlin of the Middle East.

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Israel suffers from a lack of good public relations as far as Jerusalem is concerned. The world press does not even begin to present the true picture of Jerusalem. Hence it is ridiculous to speak of East Jerusalem or West Jerusalem.

It had always been one city until Abdullah, Hussein's grandfather, seized part of it by force of arms following Israel's first War of Independence.

When Jordan occupied the Old City militarily, enemy forces destroyed all synagogues, demolished the socalled Jewish Quarter and desecrated the old cemetery on the Mount of Olives. Thereupon the Jordanians wasted no time in erecting a modern hotel on the hilltop ruins.

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People tend to forget that this occupation was in violation of a United Nations resolution.

People also tend to forget that Jerusalem never was an Arab capital. To the Jews and, throughout recorded history, it has always been the City of David, the eternal capital of the Land of Israel.

Those who will not accept historic attachment as a political argument often forget the most important fact in the debate over Jerusalem: that for the last century Jerusalem, as one city, has had an absolute Jewish majority. Over the past two thousand years Jerusalem has been without Jews only when they were driven from their homes by invading armies. Yet the Jews always returned to the Holy City. Now they will never leave it.

To a Jew to whom Israel is the symbol of a Jewish presence among the peoples of the earth, Jerusalem is as dear as Paris to a Frenchman.

Thus if Sadat believes for one moment that the present pressure upon Israel will result in the Israelis' acceptance of a new division of Jerusalem and the rebuilding of the wall at the Mandelbaum Gate, all those who counsel Golda Meir to be compromising are in for a surprise.

No Jewish government will ever sign away a part of Jerusalem because of its being inhabited by ethnic minorities, for Jews have been repeatedly banished from all such areas by their conquerors.

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Another basic issue is that of security. The government of Israel knows very well that even if a contractural peace treaty were signed with Arab countries, where governments are not elected, but imposed by military cliques; an international force at Sharm el Sheik would be no guarantee of free access to the Gulf of Aqaba. Strategically this strip of land is vitally important to Israel solely, for it dominates that country's lifeline to the waterways of the world. Thus the Jerusalem government cannot accept a situation whereby it would be exposed to the caprice of any would-be dictator.

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The pressures against Israel by those who would misrepresent her genuine desire for peace within secure borders cannot alter the determination to survive of three million people whose history must be their guidebook to the vision of the future.

JDL POSITION EXPLAINED

a CJN exclusive

Rabbi Meir Kahane, leader of the Jewish Defense League, has told The Canadian Jewish News that the JDL regrets a statement made by its international coordinator two weeks ago in a TV debate on Channel 9.

In this debate the JDL representative stated that the Israeli government supports the JDL, although Golda Meir has made a public statement condemning violence to achieve Jewish aims.

In a recent visit to Toronto Rabbi Kahane told The Canadian Jewish News that never once did the Israeli government statement name the JDL in its condemnation of violence. He said that no responsible government, and certainly no Jewish government, would ever speak out in support of violence. Rabbi Kahane and the JDL agree with the Israeli government that violence is bad, but acknowledge the regrettable fact that sometimes violence becomes necessary.

RABBI MEIR KAHANE

There are reasons why the Israeli government issued this statement, said the JDL leader, and emphasized that it is up to the individual to analyze Israel's reasons for it.

The militant New York rabbi told The Canadian Jewish News that his organization believes it is the right and the duty of Israel as a sovereign state to take any position it sees fit in order to serve the national interests of the Jewish State and said that the JDL will never criticize the Israeli government publicly.

Rabbi Kahane also said that there is no question that most Israelis understand what the JDL is trying to do and that his organization regrets any misunderstanding arising out of the TV debate.

COMING NEXT WEEK:

Exclusive interview with the Rev. Roland de Corneille, newly appointed Executive Director of The League for Human Rights of B'nai B'rith.

Rev. de Corneille speaks with The Canadian Jewish News on the philosophy and aims of this new, nonsectarian organization.

Egypt's latest peace proposal

MOSCOW CALLS THE SHOTS

NO PEACE PRIZE FOR JARRING

by G. Finklestein, CJN Washington correspondent

The $64,000 question now being asked in the American capital is what Vladimir Vinogradov, Soviet Ambassador to the United Arab Republic said to Ali Sabry, Vice-president of Egypt when they conferred Monday and Tuesday.

DIKTAT FROM MOSCOW

Diplomats here say that Egyptian President Sadat's most recent statement on Israel's reaction to his "peace proposal" is merely a *diktat* from Moscow.

Another question frequently asked in Washington is: will the United States cooperate with the Russians for the sake of saving Russian face and thus continue their tactics of pressuring Israel to accept the latest Jarring proposal?

NEGOTIATIONS COMPROMISED

There are several ways in which the present Jarring negotiations can be regarded.

The Russians, very active in the Middle East, are uncertain as to whether Egypt should make peace with Israel, for Moscow would like to "protect" that Arab League country indefinitely.

The word in Washington is that no matter what happens in the Middle East, Jarring certainly will not be awarded the Nobel Prize for Peace. By endorsing the Arab position, say Washington editorial writers, the UN envoy has unquestionably compromised his mission.

EGYPT'S PERVERSE TACTICS

The latest warning from the United Arab Republic is that Israel's refusal to withdraw from territories occupied during the Six-Day War indicates that the Jewish State is not "cooperating" in the spirit of "true peace" prevalent among Moscow's stooges, whose primary tactic is to point out that the original UN Security Council Resolution of November 22nd, 1967 must be the basis of any Middle East peace settlement.

THE UN RESOLUTION

Yet the UN resolution does not call for the withdrawal of Israeli forces from all occupied areas, as the Egyptians assert.

Egypt also neglects to mention the issue of Israel's sovereignty and her right to recognized boundaries, issues which Israel must insist upon as vital to her security, and which also are stated in the UN Resolution.

Despite the multifarious statements emanating from Cairo, Jerusalem and other world capitals of a *détente* in the Middle East, the ultimate solution as Churchill once said, is still "the Moscow riddle".

LEONID RIGERMAN

EUROPEAN PRESS HAILS BELGIUM

special cable to the CJN from Edgar Jannsen

Brussels, Belgium. - The rejection by Belgium of the Soviet protest against the World Conference on Soviet Jewry held here on the part of the Jews in the Soviet Union has been hailed by the Belgian press as a courageous stand by a little country from which the United States could learn how to defend democracy and freedom of speech.

An Amsterdam daily compares the statement made by Belgian Foreign Minister Pierre Harmel to the historic words of the late Belgian King Albert in 1914 prior to the Kaiser's invasion of that country. "Belgium is still the same and will remain so".

The European press also features the statement made in New York by Leonid Rigerman, the 30 year old Soviet American Jewish computer programmer who was allowed to leave Russia on the strength of his American passport. Mr. Rigerman, who has been reunited with his Mother after a long separation, refused to denounce the militant Jewish Defense League in a press conference in New York. He said, "I don't know whether their campaign will help. I certainly don't think it hinders the Jews in the Soviet Union".

Terrorists' fangs are drawn

a JCNS exclusive from Jerusalem

While Israel's security forces would not be so foolhardy as to claim they have totally smashed the terrorist movement on the West Bank, they have notched up some striking successes in recent weeks, including the capture of a number of men sought for nearly two years.

One of their biggest "hauls" was in Nablus and district last week when 31 members of an El Fatah ring were taken into custody. They included its chief, who was captured after a gun battle with Israeli soldiers in which he was wounded. No Israelis were hurt.

Three of the arrested men are Israeli Arabs, while the others are residents of Nablus and vicinity.

Israel's successes are to be seen in the relaxed air of many former trouble spots. Your correspondent was in the crowded centre of Hebron on market day last week, when the only man in uniform was an Arab policeman.

Along the entire route from Jerusalem to Beersheba not one Army patrol was to be seen and the only sign of the Israeli "presence" was an occasional serviceman thumbing a lift.

Stymied in their efforts to cross the northern and central border with Jordan, and risking retaliation if they cross from the Lebanese and Syrian lines, the terrorists have been trying to open up a new front in the Negev and Arava regions, a mixture of desert, scrub and wilderness.

But this has proved no more successful than anywhere else, and the Israeli security forces have had a number of recent "kills." The most recent was last week, when two terrorists who infiltrated across the Har Hanegev lines were captured after a gun battle with an Israeli patrol.

Israel explained that she permitted the entry of gift supplies only if they were channelled through the International Red Cross, which would be responsible for storage and distribution, and on condition that vehicles and equipment were subject to the customary security checks.

In Sinai recently Israeli security forces uncovered a ring of terrorists and intelligence agents operating for the Egyptians in the region of El Arish and north Sinai. Two Egyptian intelligence men, who were in charge of the ring, were arrested, together with a number of local inhabitants.

Israeli security forces have also arrested four terrorists suspected of blowing up the British consulate in East Jerusalem last summer and other terrorist acts in the city.

Soviet Jews' struggle acclaimed

a CJN exclusive

Tel Aviv — Emotions ran high in the Mann Auditorium when the first ever convention of Jews from the Soviet Union opened with the ceremonial entry of the Israeli flag.

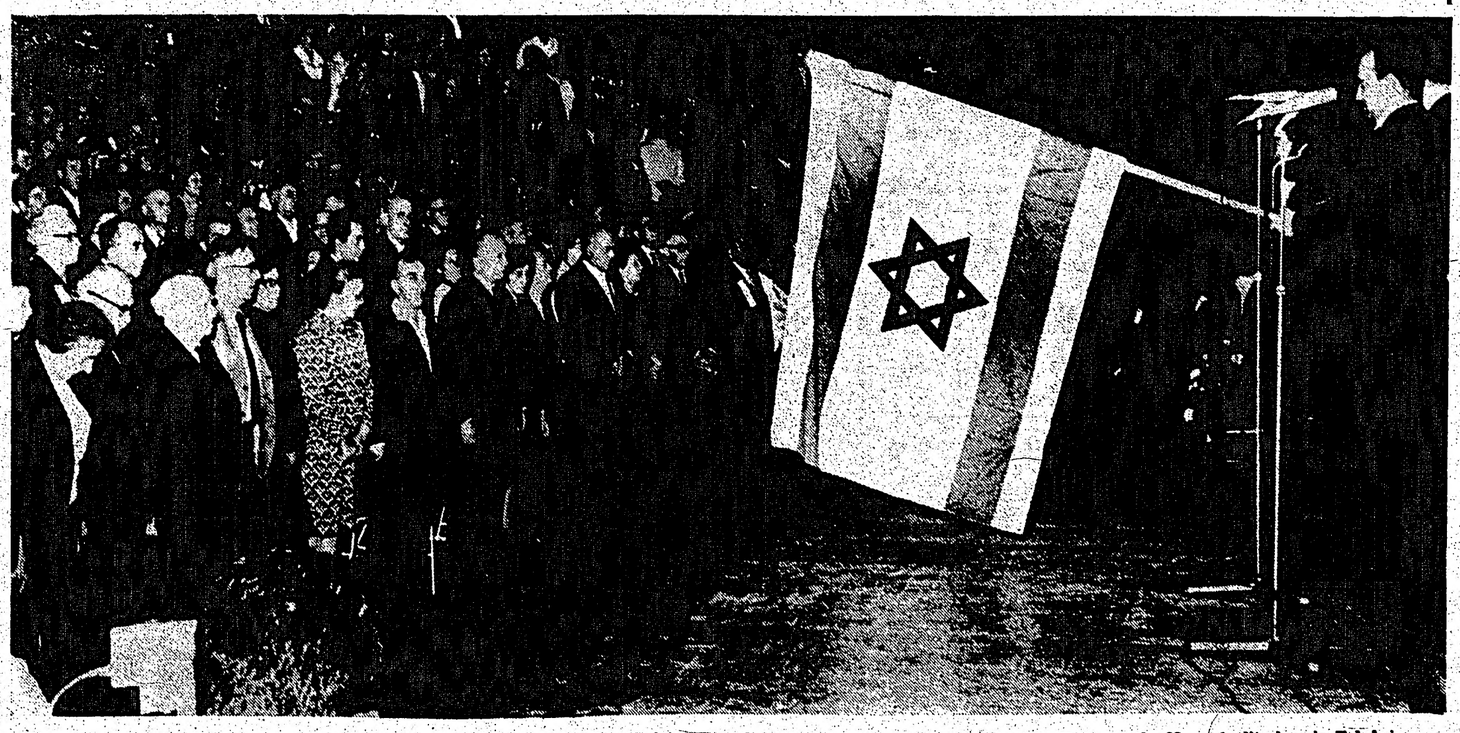
It was carried into the hall by Major Grisha Feigin, the latest arrival from the USSR, and Professor Boris Tsukerman, who preceded him by a fortnight.

Many among the audience of hundreds, which included President Shazar, Mrs Golda Meir, the Prime Minister, and Mr David Ben-Gurion, Israel's 84-year-old first Prime Minister, wept openly.

Mrs Meir herself, at times, was hardly able to speak as she reviewed in Yiddish the struggle of Soviet Jewry to maintain its identity.

The entrance doors to the hall were closed more than a quarter of an hour before the opening time of the convention, leaving a huge crowd of Soviet immigrants and friends outside, among them leaders of Israel's growing community of Soviet Jews.

The highlights of the evening included Professor Tsukerman's recitation of Shehechiyanu (the blessing thanking God "Who hath let us live to see this day") and the reading of the memorial prayer by Hannah Rovina, the actress.



Mrs Meir, President Shazar and Mr Ben-Gurion look on as Major Grisha Feigin, recently arrived from Russia, carries the Israeli flag at the Mann Auditorium in Tel Aviv

SON OF LATE GERER REBBE IN TORONTO

Rabbi Symcha Bunim Alter is arriving in Toronto for a short visit. He is the son of the late Rabbi of Gur, Poland and brother of today's Gerer Rebbe of Jerusalem. Gur was the crown of Polish orthodox Jewry before the holocaust. Even before the war some Gur institutions were transplanted to Israel. As the Gerer Chasiduth is for Torah education, the Gerer Rebbe had, and still has, a great following among the young.

Rabbi Symcha Bunim Alter is the President of the Yeshiva Chidushei Harim in Tel Aviv, a recently built living memorial to the orthodox Jewry of Poland. He is also the president of a chain of educational institutions from kindergarten to rabbinical schools throughout Israel. He himself is a great scholar and he is thoroughly learned in all Talmudic and rabbinical literature.

The entire Jewish orthodox community in Toronto and especially those who are followers and admirers of the Gerer Chasiduth, are happy to welcome Rabbi Symcha Bunim Alter.

Favors aiding day schools

a CJN exclusive

New York, N.Y. - Governor Nelson Rockefeller has reversed his position on additional state aid to all parochial schools.

The New York Governor told a press conference on Monday that he favors granting additional help because the parochial schools currently face a greater financial crisis than the public schools.

TORONTO SYNAGOGUES AND ORGANIZATIONS

BROTHERHOOD AWARD DINNER

The Award Recipient and Guest Speaker for the 8th Annual Award Dinner of the Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Brotherhood will be the Hon. W. Ross Thatcher, Premier of the Province of Saskatchewan. The affair will be held at the Synagogue on April 5th.

BETH TZEDEC INTER-FAITH DINNER

The Honorable William G. Davis, Q.C., Premier-Elect of Ontario, will be addressing the Beth Tzedec Men's Club at their Annual Inter-Faith Dinner.

This event will take place on Tuesday, February 23rd, at the Beth Tzedec Synagogue. The program is in observance of Brotherhood Week sponsored by the Canadian Council of Christians and Jews.

PLEA FOR CLEMENCY FOR LITHUANIAN

Mr. Monroe Abbey, Q.C., President of the Canadian Jewish Congress, sent a cable January 21 to USSR President Podgorny pleading for clemency for Vitautas Simokaitis sentenced to death for an attempt last November to hijack a plane from the Soviet Union to Sweden.

TO ATTEND CONFERENCE ON SOVIET JEWRY

Daniel Monson, Q.C., of St. Catharines, Ontario, President of the Zionist Organization of Canada will be one of the representatives of Canadian Jewry at a World Conference held in Brussels from February 23rd to February 25th for the purpose of planning increased efforts on the part of World Jewry to obtain fair treatment for Russian Jews from the Soviet Union. Delegates from over 50 countries are expected to participate in this World Conference on Soviet Jewry.

HEBREW MEN OF ENGLAND

Hebrew Men of England Tephillian Club is hosting the Tephillin Club of B'nai Israel Beth David Congregation on Sunday morning, February 28th. A hockey-tournament will take place following breakfast. Breakfast is being prepared by the Teenage Girls Club.

JON VICKERS AT BETH TIKVA

Jon Vickers, world renowned tenor, will appear in concert at Beth Tikva Synagogue on March 13th.

The program will be comprised of sacred music based on Old Testament themes and will also include selections from the music of Purcell, Saint Saens, Beethoven, Handel and Brahms.

TORONTO RABBI ATTENDS CONFERENCE

Rabbi Joseph Kelman, spiritual leader of Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Congregation, is presently in Brussels attending the World Conference on Soviet Jewry.

At the Sabbath morning service, February 27th, Rabbi Kelman will address the community on the Conference proceedings and aims.

B'NAI B'RITH COVENANT BREAKFAST

The 16th annual Covenant Breakfast of the Toronto Men's Regional Council of B'nai B'rith will take place at the New Murray House, 1301 Steeles Avenue, on February 21st.

Chairman of the Breakfast will be Irving Chapley, first vice-president of the Men's Regional Council.

Guest speaker at this year's Covenant Breakfast will be David M. Blumberg, International Vice-President of B'nai B'rith.

BETH AM FESTIVE EVENING

The Beth Am Congregation will hold a festive evening for the entire community February 28th at 8:30 p.m.

Special guest speaker from Israel will be Major Nili Kol. Also, a film on Israel will be shown, "You and Me".

Refreshments will be served.

WORK STUDY PROGRAM

Stephen Danz and Michael Copeland of the World Union of Jewish Students in Arad, Israel, spent February 17th in Toronto promoting a work study program.

The purposes of the visit were to involve professional people who could possibly decide to settle in Israel; to meet with college students and graduates interested in the program and to discuss with community leaders, the work of the Institute and its needs in the future.

The World Union of Jewish Students offers a one year program to university graduates interested in living and working in Israel.

Five months are spent at the Institute in Arad learning Hebrew and participating in lectures and seminars on Jewish and Israel studies. For the remainder of the time (seven months) they work in their chosen fields in Israel, e.g. nursing, economics, law, etc.

Since the inception of this program in 1967, over 800 graduates from 40 countries have participated.

WORLD CONFERENCE ON SOVIET JEWRY

Mr. Hyman Bessin, National President of the Federated Zionist Organization of Canada, led the official delegation of the Canadian Zionist movement to Brussels on February 22nd, 1971, for the World Conference on Soviet Jewry.

Mr. Sidney Zack, Co-Deputy President, Federated Zionist Organization of Canada, and Mrs. Blanche Wisenthal, National President, Hadassah-Wizo Organization and Associate Secretary, Federated Zionist Organization of Canada, will also participate in the Zionist delegation. Mr. Frank Dimant, Chairman of the Editorial Board of the "Canadian Zionist" and Associate Chairman of the Committee for Soviet Jewry, has been appointed an alternate delegate.

Accompanying the delegation as an observer, will be Mr. Myer Bick, National Program Director.

CANTOR E.F. ROSENBERG, Beth Sholom Syn. | CANTOR S. ACKERMAN, Beth Abraham Syn., Detroit, Michigan | CANTOR LOUIS KLEIN, B'nai Moshe Synagogue, Oak Park, Michigan | CANTOR S. B. TAUBE, Beth Orah Synagogue, Montreal, Quebec

GALA CANTORIAL CONCERT.—The Beth Sholom Synagogue in honor of Jewish Music Month will sponsor an outstanding Cantorial Concert for the entire Toronto Jewish Community at the Beth Sholom Synagogue, 1445 Eglinton Avenue West on Sunday, February 28th at 8:00 p.m.

Renowned Cantors will participate in this concert assisted by the Beth Sholom Synagogue Choir under the direction of its conductor, Harvey Bornstein and accompanied by Sarah Barkin Sandler at the piano.

Participating in the concert will be Cantor Ephraim F. Rosenberg of the Beth Sholom Synagogue who was born in Transylvania where he received a Chassidic upbringing. The Jewish Chronicle of London, England, quoted: "Cantor Rosenberg is one of the finest cantors in the world today".

Cantor Shabtai Ackerman, Cantor of Beth Abraham Synagogue Detroit, Michigan was born in Kishinev, Rumania and received his cantorial training with the noted Cantors David Rotman and Moses Steinberg and with composer Abraham Kalecnik.

Cantor Louis Klein, Cantor of B'nai Moshe Synagogue, Oak Park, Michigan is the son of a Cantor who was a "Baal Tefillah" in the truest sense. He was greatly influenced in his youth by the singing of his father who was a "Talmud Chacham" who encouraged his son to study and to sing.

Cantor Samuel B. Taube, Cantor of Beth Orah Synagogue in Montreal, Quebec was born near Lodz, Poland.

These cantors will render Yiddish, Israeli and Liturgical selections.

THE PEN IS MIGHTIER THAN THE SWORD

Thirty-four Soviet Jews, arrested and held incommunicado within the past six months in Leningrad, Riga, Kishinev, and Tbilisi face the imminent prospect of political trials that can lead to life imprisonment and even the death penalty.

In the larger context of recent Soviet Policy, it is clear that the immediate purpose of the arrests and any accompanying trials is to stifle the voices of the scores of Jews who, in the last year, have undertaken to struggle to leave the USSR for Israel, where they can maintain their Jewish identity.

You can write to these thirty-four people, or to their families and given them your support. All letters and other foreign mail going into the USSR arrive at a central Post Office and are read. Therefore, by writing to the following people, you can influence the Soviet Government and the fate of these people!

Leningrad, Russian SFSR: Vladimir Osherovich Mogilever - June 15, 1970* 30 years old. Engineer. Wife: Yulia Issaevna Mogilever. A 2 year old son. Address: Ul. Telmana D. 36, korp. 1, kv. 209. David Iserovich Chernoglaz - June 15, 1970* 30 years old. Agronomist. Wife: Berta Petrovna Veinger. An eight-month old child. Address: Pr. Maklina D. 26, kv. 25. Grigory Ilya Butman - June 15, 1970* 37 years old. Engineer. Wife: Yeva Shmulevna Butman. A four-year old daughter. Address: Vitebsky pr. D. 23, korp. 4, kv. 33. Lassal Kaminsky -- June 15, 1970* 40 years old. Engineer. Wife: Serafima Mayerovna Kaminsky. 10 and 17 year old children. Address: Ul. Vosstaniya D. 6, kv. 4. Lev Leibovich Korenblit -- June 15, 1970* 48 years old. Mathematician. Wife: Reveka Moiseyevna Korenblit. A daughter. Address: Ul. Vereiskaya D. 12, kv. 10. Solomon Dreizner - June 15, 1970* 38 year old. Engineer. Wife hospitalized. A five month old son. Address: 10 Olega Koshevogo Apt. 23. Anatoly Moiseyevich Goldfeld - June 15, 1970*. Mother: Liya Samsonovna Shimanovich. Address: Pr. Shaumyan D. 58, kv. 18. 24 years old. Engineer. Lev Naumovich Yagman - June 15, 1970*. 30 years old. Wife: Musya Khiam-Leibovna Yagman. 2 and 6 years old children. Address. Ul. Karbysheva D. 6, korp. 1, kv. 80. Viktor David Boguslavsky - July 12, 1970* 30 years old. Mother hospitalized. Address: Pr. Shaumyana 47, Apt. 25. Hillel Zalmanovich Shur - September 5, 1970*. 34 years old. Sister: Kreina Zalmanovna Shur. Address: Ul. Zhukovskogo D. 20, kv. 20. Viktor Shtilbans - November 16, 1970*. 28 year old. Physician. Married. Mikhail Korenblit - November 16, 1970* brother of Lev Korenblit.

Georgian SSR: Abraham Danilashvili** - June 1970* Biniamin Dghaneshvili** - June 1970*.

Riga, Latvian SSR: Leib G. Khanokh - June 15, 1970* 26 years old. Address: 21 milisna street. Meri Mendelevich Khanokh - June 15, 1970* 20 years old. Wife of L. G. Khanokh, same address. Yosif M. Mendelevich June 15, 1970* 23 years old. Brother of M.M. Khanokh address 176/44 Lenin Street. Edvard Kuznetsov - June 15, 1970*. Address: 45 Vaidenbaum Street, Apt. 22. Silva Zalmanson Kuznetsov - June 15, 1970*. Wife of E. Kuznetsov, same address. Isak Zalmanson - June 15, 1970* 26 years old. Brother of S.Z. Kuznetsov, same address. Wolf Zalmanson - June 15, 1970*. 31 years old. Brother of Isak and Silvia Zalmanson, same address. Anatoly A. Altman** - 38 years old. June 15, 1970*. Boris Pestner** - June 15, 1970*. Mendel Bodnia - July, 1970* 33 years old. Wife Zolda Bodnia. Address Shkolnaya Street 7, Apt. 2. Arkady Shpilberg - August 4, 1970* 32 years old. Engineer. Wife Margarita Mikhailovna Shpilberg. Address: Lenina Street 205, Apt. 6. Boris Maftsier August 4, 1970* 23 years old. Wife Genia Moiseyevna Maftsier. Address: Siltsiema Street 15, korp. 5, Apt. 61. Ruth Aleksandrovich - October 7, 1970*. 23 years old. Nurse. Address Suvorova Street 16, Apt. 20. Mikhail Shipshelovich - October 16, 1970* 27 years old. Address: Yuglas Street 5, Apt. 42.

Kishinev, Moldavian SSR: Aleksander Galperin - July 24, 1970* 24 years old. Mother: Makhlia Yefimovna Galperina. Address: 37, Ul. Tesbashevskaya 11-13. Arkady Voloshin - August 15, 1970*. Address: Ul. Kievskaya 41, vk. 5. Garf Kirshner** - August 15, 1970* David Rabinovich** - August 15, 1970* Abraham Trakhtenberg** - August 15, 1970* Semeon Abramovich Levit - November 1970* Address: Ul. Svoboda 8.

* Date Arrested. **Addresses for these people not available.

WORLD DEMAND GROWS FOR ISRAELI STAMPS

An indication as to what the world thinks of a nation's stability and integrity is how its postage stamps and stamp souvenir sheets are regarded by the world's knowledgeable stamp collectors.

Based on this, Israel's reputation is one to be envied by much longer established nations. From the very first day the new State was declared, its stamps have been eagerly sought by sophisticated as well as new collectors in practically every nation.

SYMBOLIC OF ISRAEL

This has been attributed to a number of circumstances. A major attraction, especially to collectors of historic stamps, is the unique heroic headline-making international role of the young State. Some collectors desire them also because of their beauty, the quality of the engravings and their subject matter. Still others because they are symbolic of Israel's culture and struggles. An important factor, too, is those who collect as an investment consider the ever present possibility of their increasing value.

This great demand has effected the value of a number of Israel's stamps and souvenir covers. Israel's first issue, on May 16, 1948, consisted of a set of nine stamps of different values. Known to philatelists as the First Coin Set, they were illustrated with exquisite engravings of Hebrew coins of the ancient Bar Kochba period. The total cost of these nine stamps in Israel at the time of issue was 1853 prutah, the Israel coinage at that time, approximately $9.00 in the United States money. The current catalogue price, based on the last sale at auction of a set of these nine stamps in mint condition, the philatelists term for unused, is $400.00. A set of these same First Coin stamps on a sheet still bearing the original description tab is valued today at $1500.

BLUE MENORAH STAMP

The Blue Menorah stamp, illustrated with a Menorah surrounded by the emblems of the 12 tribes of Israel, was issued on February 27, 1952, with a face value of 1000 prutah, the equivalent then of one U.S. dollar. Today a Blue Menorah in mint condition has increased over 800 percent in value bringing $8.25 in the open market. The same Blue Menorah stamp with its descriptive tab attached is valued at $70.00.

One year after the formation of the State, despite all its problems, on May 1st to the 6th, 1949, Israel held its first National Stamp Exhibition. The Israel Post Ministry issued at the time a souvenir sheet commemorating the event. It sold at the exhibition for 100 prutah; its value today is $50.00

SOURCE OF REVENUE

Although many collectors have benefited from the extraordinary rise in the price of these stamps and souvenir covers, as well as other Israeli issues, Israel also benefits. The sale of stamps and souvenir sheets is not only an important source of the State's revenue, but the messages on every stamp carry the story of Israel and its heritage.

This deep interest in Israeli stamps has an effect on world opinion. The vast number of collectors throughout the world who seek out these stamps includes every faith and ethnic origin. He recalls an English collector, an Episcopalian deacon who purchased over five hundred Israeli stamps he used to decorate the Christmas and Chanukah cards sent to his friends and business associates.

Although stamps are one of the few investments that rarely go down in value, it is only extraordinary circumstances that cause a particular issue or souvenir sheet to dramatically rise in value.

TEMPLE SCROLL IN SHOE-BOX

Jerusalem. - A torn fragment stuck together with a British postage stamp led to his discovery of the 2,000-year-old Temple scroll hidden in a show-box in the Arab quarter of Jerusalem, Professor Yigal Yadin said last week.

He revealed for the first time details of a search which lasted seven years and cut across the lines of the Middle East conflict until the largest of the Dead Sea scrolls was safely deposited with the Israeli Government.

Professor Yadin tld an historical convention that while in England in 1961 a man claiming to be an agent of an Arab antique dealer in the Jordan sector of Jerusalem offered to sell him the scroll. After much haggling a sum was agreed upon.

But the go-between disappeared and it was not until after the 1967 Six-Day War that Professor Yadin found the antique dealer, who kept the scroll wrapped in a plastic bag in an old shoe-box.

LEARN-IN: RUSSIA AND THE JEWISH PREDICAMENT

A Learn-In has been arranged to probe in depth the political, historical, economic, social and national roots of the current predicament of the Jews in the Soviet Union.

This Learn-In under the auspices of the Labor Zionist Movement, Farband Labor Zionist Order, Pioneer Women and The Student Action Committee for Soviet Jewry, will take place on Sunday, March 7th at 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

A distinguished panel has been assembled drawn from the world of academic faculty, community leaders, heads of important national organizations as well as the university student body. For the first time, in a cool analytical fashion, the serious problem of Soviet Russian antisemitism and racism will be probed.

EGYPT WILL RECOGNIZE ISRAELI VISA

Paris, (JCNS). - "Club Mediterranee", the well known French travel firm, has obtained the consent of the Egyptian Government to grant visas to foreign tourists, even if an Israeli visa is stamped in their passports. The Egyptian Government's only reservation is that it can reimpose the former restrictions if hostilities are resumed.

BLACK JEWISH SPIRITUAL LEADER WITH HIS CONGREGANTS.—Rabbi Abel Respes of Hammonton, New Jersey will be in Toronto this weekend. The Community is invited to attend a special Friday Evening Service on February 26 at 8:00 P.M. at the Adath Israel Synagogue, 37 Southbourne Ave., Downsview when Rabbi Respes will speak on the subject "The Black Jew". The All Black Jewish Chorus will also be featured. A Gala Concert will be held on Saturday February 27th with Comedian Lou Mason and the Brothers Zim.

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Philosophy of the Torah Education and Culture Department

MOSHE KRONE SPEAKS FOR THE JEWISH AGENCY

Q. Why are there two departments for Jewish education in the Jewish Agency -- Torah and general?

A. There is no duplication between these departments, and such a division is a necessity of modern Jewish life. On one hand there are many Zionists who are concerned with a secular approach to the problem of Jewish life and culture.

On the other hand there are those, and I hope they are in the majority, who think in terms of the religious and spiritual, traditional approach to Jewish history and Jewish life.

Q. Would you please elaborate on the organization of the Torah department.

A. The Torah Education and Culture Department is concerned with activating Zionist aspirations -- namely to inspire Jews in their local communities to do more for Jewish education. We are concerned with promoting the day school system and building up centers of Torah studies geared to building up Israel. We are hoping to bring those active in Jewish life to Israel as an integral part of their education. We promote exchanges of teachers from Israel to other centers. Included are Deans of Yishivot and consultants on education who bring to the Diaspora the accumulated experience of Israel. We are concerned with traditional religious education. We bring to Israel groups of Yeshiva students, and teachers in courses of all kinds. We publish auxiliary literature for teachers and students. Text books, audio visual material are also our concern.

Our department also sends rabbis to isolated, small communities around the world. In fact we are responsible for establishing Day Schools, Yeshivot and summer camps in the most distant, unimaginable places. For example, a great Yeshiva was established a few years ago in Petropoulis, Brazil. We are also active among the B'nai Israel, the Jews at India.

We operate an entire school system in Iran and Turkey. The Department has now more than 150 teachers abroad and conducts many teachers' seminars. In Israel we operate two colleges, one is the Gold College for Women where we train lady teachers from the Diaspora for the educational needs of Jewish communities throughout the world. The other, the Jerusalem Torah College, is where young men get their training for spiritual leadership in the Diaspora.

Q. What is the budget of the Department?

A. Close to 2 million dollars.

Q. We hear a lot about the Falashas, the Black Jews of Ethiopia. They are a people neglected by the Jewish Establishment. Some have gone to Israel and returned to Ethiopia to teach their communities. Is your Department involved with them?

A. This is a touchy subject. Whatever is being done for the Falashas is being done by the Torah Education and Culture Department of the Jewish Agency. No one else is doing anything for them.

Q. How many Falashas are there?

A. Nobody knows. We do not even know if they are truly Jews. Some people don't think they are. They have different traditions and celebrate holidays in a different way. We have brought a few to Israel to study. They have published a Jewish calendar and celebrate Festivals in a Jewish manner. Yet, as I said before, their status is uncertain.

Q. The fact that these people have been cut off from the Jewish community to a certain degree has created a lack of Jewish knowledge among these people. Is it our duty to bring Judaism back to them?

A. Everyone should join together to elevate their spiritual level.

A. So many of the Sephardic Jews in Israel are black. Is this still a problem?

A. No. There is no more Yemenite immigration. The Yemenis in Israel today are totally integrated into the society. There was a crisis a few years ago, but we all worked together and overcame it. Now Israel is a socially unified nation.

Mr. Moshe Krone is one of the pioneers of the religious kibbutz movement in Israel and the former secretary general of the National Religious Party. Presently visiting North America as the head of the Torah Education and Culture Department of the Jewish Agency, Mr. Krone discusses his work with The Canadian Jewish News.

Q. What is the stand of the Torah Education and Culture Department in granting educational services to the Black Jews of Harlem?

A. We have not been asked to provide for them. The American community is strong and rich and can take care of itself. We are only called upon to inspire, promote, support and initiate.

Q. What is the role of your Department in Canada? Have you visited the schools here? What is your impression?

A. I am very impressed by the school system here. It does not, however, entirely come up to the standards that we would like it to have. Nevertheless, the level here is higher than that in the United States.

Assimilation is not as rampant here as it is there. Our Department has 22 teachers in Canada -- in Toronto, Montreal, Winnipeg and Vancouver. This number is being increased. At the moment we are discussing the permanent presence of our Department here in Canada, in either Toronto or Montreal. In such an arrangement we would act as consultants.

In Canada we have organized many groups in Jewish schools to study Israel. We have interviewed many Yeshiva students who come to Israel for a year's study.

Q. How many students have come to Israel from the Diaspora under your Department?

A. Thousands. Every year 150 Yeshiva students come from the US and Canada to spend one year in Israel.

Q. Why is it necessary to have a separate Torah Education Department since at least 80% of all Jewish Day Schools in the Diaspora are religious? Why does the Jewish Agency support non-traditional schools that have little response among the communities? Why is 45% of all support going to the traditional institution and 55% to the other?

A. The two departments are not only for students. They also exist to serve adult education and to spread Hebrew culture and education. We need other forms of education which fit Jewish life.

Q. What is the political influence in establishing priorities for funds? In Canada when people send their children to a Jewish school they want a traditional Jewish education. Why is only 45% support going to these institutions?

A. I am very glad Canadians are so attached to tradition.

Q. What is the political pressure involved?

A. There is no political pressure. The budget is divided by global interests. The Jewish Agency is run by political forces.

Q. Why do we have to accept this?

A. You don't have to!

Q. We want to know from a member of the Executive of the Jewish Agency. This is the body that determines the distribution of funds raised by the United Jewish Appeal. Twenty-two years after the establishment of the Jewish State, does the Zionist Executive have to be guided by outdated political parties in the distribution of funds?

A. I can only talk about the National Religious Party.

Q. Are you in favor of continuing the key approach in the Zionist executive in which funds for Jewish education have to be distributed by politics?

A. Funds are distributed according to the Department. America and Canada are not the poorest of countries.

Q. Many young people in this country and throughout North America question why funds, contributed mostly by the North American Jewish communities for education, should be divided by a decision made in Jerusalem by political Zionist groups.

How do you see the possibility of interesting young people to go to Israel not only for study, but to live. Does any department dealing with Jewish education help to bring younger people to settle in the Jewish State? Does your Department have any cultural activities on the university campuses that might influence Jewish youth?

A. Aliyah is a result of Jewish education, but as much as Jewish education is taught to children the world over, there will be an interest in the way Jews live. We have a department in Zionist Executive Youth Aliyah and have sent some young people to do special work on campuses throughout North America. We must remember that Israel cannot take upon itself to replace the Jewish community in the States and Canada.

Q. Has your Department thought of setting up regional centers in outlying areas for small Jewish communities?

A. The National Religious Party has talked to me about it, but it is a very difficult problem. We would like to send representatives over here, but it is really a local matter. There are so many isolated Jewish communities of 10, 20, 80 people, and we cannot possibly reach them all. Dispersed Jews have been a problem throughout our history. Chasidic Rabbis used to travel from town to town visiting them centuries ago. We do not have enough manpower for this. We once sent an Israeli Rabbi to visit isolated communities in Latin America. He visited them one by one and was exhausted on his return. I hope one day this problem will be overcome.

CANADA'S NUMBER ONE JEWISH INDUSTRIALIST SPEAKS ABOUT HIMSELF

by Samuel Bronfman

PAGES FROM AN AUTOBIOGRAPHY

THIRD IN A SERIES

The Bronfman Saga brings us to the early fifties when the operations of Distillers Corporation-Seagram's Limited expanded throughout Canada and the world.

In the early fifties we acquired the Harrison Hot Springs Hotel, located in the mountains on beautiful Harrison Lake, some 75 miles east of Vancouver.

It had been quite a fine hotel in its day but was sadly run down. We began at once to improve it and later brought in Max Nargil, who had managed resort hotels in Europe and in the Caribbean. He did such a good job at "The Harrison" that we were encouraged to expand the hotel and its facilities into what is now reputed to be one of the finest year-round resorts anywhere. The Harrison is a most important tourist attraction in British Columbia.

From 1953 through 1955 Edgar was in charge of all our Canadian plants. He moved to New York in December 1955.

Charles joined our Company in 1951 as a salesman. In 1954, when we created the Thomas Adams Company, he took complete charge of its development. Charles paid careful attention to every detail, particularly blending, packaging, advertising and marketing. He selected, engaged and trained an entire sales force. The results of his efforts, and those of the fine, dedicated people with whom he surrounded himself, are here today for all to see. The Adams Company is now one of the leaders in Canada. Charles did an excellent job.

In 1955 we purchased our distillery at Beaupré. This gave us two distilleries in Quebec. Since then our Beaupré plant has been greatly improved and expanded.

I have long been convinced that if one is to sell Canadian products in foreign markets, one must first ensure that prospective overseas customers have a very healthy respect for Canada itself.

With this premise in mind, we published advertisements in leading international magazines telling of the clean taste of Canadian products such as Oka melons, salmon, apples, cheese, and maple syrup. In other overseas advertisements we featured important events which are exclusively Canadian such as the Quebec Winter Carnival, the Canadian National Exhibition in Toronto and the Calgary Stampede. In a subsequent international campaign we told the story of the natural resources of Canada such as timber, aluminum, gold, radium, nickel, and of pulp and paper, furs, wheat and seed potatoes.

With the same philosophy in mind, I decided to demonstrate internationally that Canada had moved from the rural-type nation the world believed us to be, to the industrialized nation we actually were.

To that end, in 1956, I created the Seagram Collection of Paintings–"Cities of Canada"–by commissioning the Royal Canadian Academy to select 26 artists from among its members to paint 65 canvases of 26 cities.

Following its premiere showing in Ottawa, the collection was flown to San Juan, Mexico City, Caracas, Sao Paulo, Rio de Janeiro, Buenos Aires, Montevideo, then across the seas to Rome and on to London, Madrid, Paris, The Hague, Stockholm and finally to the Canadian troops in Soest, West Germany, before returning home for a trans-Canada tour.

While abroad, the paintings were viewed by millions of people including the Royal Families of Great Britain, Holland and Sweden and the Presidents and leaders of other countries visited. One of the paintings–"Place d'Armes" in Montreal–was presented to His Holiness, Pope Pius XII. Every place the paintings visited they were welcomed as "Canadian Ambassadors of Goodwill". From them, the people of other lands came to know more about Canada and gained a new respect for our nation.

By 1958 Charles was in charge of marketing for all our Canadian companies. It was apparent that he was ready for greater responsibility and so, in that year, he was appointed president of The House of Seagram Ltd., responsible for our business in Canada, Jamaica and Israel. He also serves as vice-president of our parent Company.

Mel Griffin, our manager in Jamaica for 15 years, and later in charge of our Canadian plants, is now executive vice-president and chief operating officer of The House of Seagram Ltd., responsible to Charles for our affairs in Canada, Jamaica and Israel. Gabor Jellinek replaced Mel as the executive in charge of our Canadian plants. Art Dawe is now our chief blender.

In production, in each country where we operate, I long ago insisted that our executive in charge of quality control must report to and be responsible to our chief executive officer in that country. From the very beginning I have been a great stickler for quality. Since the time I became a distiller there has scarcely been a day go by that I have not examined the quality of one or more of our products.

Our quality control experts check each and every distillation, not only in our plants but also in our head offices in each country where we distill. Moreover, a sample of each of the whiskies maturing in our warehouses is kept in our central libraries in Montreal for Canada, in New York for America and in Paisley for Scotland. These samples number from 1,500 to 2,000 in each of the three countries and are replaced at least every six months to ensure that they accurately reflect the developing character of each of our whiskies as they mature.

Year after year, many is the hour that I spend in our blending and quality control laboratories checking personally, discussing all aspects with our people, and ensuring that they continue to appreciate that nothing in our business is more important than the quality of our products.

In The House of Seagram Ltd., administration is the responsibility of Leonard Babich, senior vice-president, finance and administration. Len, who has been with us for 25 years, is also assistant controller of our parent Company. Alan Sharp has been with our Company 26 years. He is secretary of our parent Company and secretary-treasurer of The House of Seagram Ltd.

While our sales within Canada are about 30 per cent of the domestic market, this represents only about 7 per cent of our total world-wide sales. This low figure will come as a surprise to many Canadians who imagine it to be much higher. To keep this figure in perspective, it is important to appreciate that our whisky distilling business in Canada is primarily an export business.

This review brings us pretty well up to date on our Canadian story. Today, Seagram's V.O. is the largest selling Canadian whisky in the world and, indeed, outsells any whisky exported from any country, including Scotland and America. This fact, of course, is a source of much pride, not only for me, but for our entire organization. Seagram's V.O. has certainly earned its now famous titles– "Honored the World Over" and "Known by the Company it Keeps".

I have every reason to be proud of our Canadian Company, of the Integrity, Craftsmanship and Tradition which guide it, and of each and every one of the fine people who keep it operating and progressing.

OVERSEAS

Shortly after World War II we intensified our efforts to develop business overseas.

In 1956 we formed Seagram Overseas Corporation Ltd., a firm which I also continue to head as president with Jack Yogman as executive vice-president. This company develops and operates plants in various parts of the world. Today it is concerned with our activities in Mexico, Costa Rica, Venezuela, Brazil, Argentina, France, Italy and Germany and is actively considering establishing operations in other countries.

Our production activities in Jamaica and Israel are supervised by our Canadian Company, in Puerto Rico by our Puerto Rican Company and in Scotland and England by our United Kingdom Company.

In all other countries where we have plants, two vice-presidents of Seagram Overseas Corporation Ltd., are in charge–Avio Zuccarini is responsible for production and engineering and Fred Klayer for blending and quality control.

I have always considered it most important that our business between the countries in which we have interests should be on the basis of a "two-way street". Let me explain. We ship our Canadian, American and Scotch whiskies to France and Italy, for example, and we ship our French and Italian products to Canada, the United States and Great Britain. This "two-way street" premise extends to all the countries where we have facilities. It is this policy which is the spine of our business. It brings and holds together our world-wide operations.

This policy not only requires an organization to see to overseas plants and production but also one to attend to sales. Accordingly, in 1965 we formed Seagram Overseas Sales Company Ltd. Jim McDonough, whose headquarters is in our building in New York, is president.

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SCOTLAND

Following Repeal in the United States, it was clear to me that if we were to become a truly great international distilling company, we must enter the Scotch whisky business.

With this thought in mind I travelled to Scotland in 1935, called on my friend James Barclay, and through him acquired the Robert Brown Company which had been established in 1861. With this company as our base, we began immediately to lay down stocks of select Scotch whiskies for maturing.

Later we purchased the Strathisla-Glenlivet distillery at Keith–the oldest operating malt whisky distillery in the Scottish Highlands–established in the year 1786.

Still with a view to expanding our holdings in Scotland we were fortunately able to purchase Chivas Brothers Ltd. of Aberdeen, established in 1801. The leading brand of this company was Chivas Regal, a 12-year-old Scotch whisky which had always been a de luxe brand. This made it necessary for us to greatly increase our inventory.

We bought more land at Keith and land at Paisley, just west of Glasgow and at Dalmuir on the Clyde. At these sites, as is our usual custom, we built warehouses for maturing whiskies. At Paisley we also built our head office for Scotland as well as our blending and bottling facilities. Today, I am pleased to say, we have one of the largest stocks of Scotch whisky in the world.

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The breezes which come from these mountains are delightfully fresh and invigorating: excellent for maturing whiskies. Indeed, I'm so enchanted with the area that I call it "the land of wind and stream and poetry".

(TO BE CONTINUED)

RUSSIA'S PENAL SYSTEM — a JCNS exclusive

Camps of living death

The present structure of the Soviet court system is a pyramid, whose base is the People's Courts, and its apex the Supreme Court.

Each district has one People's Court, which functions as a court of first instance, but there are several such courts in large towns.

Next come the regional courts —one for every *oblast* (region); one for every town not large enough to be divided into districts and one for every autonomous region (Birobidjan, for instance).

Each autonomous republic and each Union republic has its own Supreme Court. In addition, there is the Supreme Court of the USSR.

In the Soviet Army, a system of military tribunals operates, the highest being the Military Collegium of the USSR Supreme Court.

Appeals against convictions or sentence can be made to the USSR Supreme Court only in cases dealt with by People's Courts or regional courts.

In cases tried by Supreme Courts of autonomous regions or union republics, there is no appeal to the USSR Supreme Court.

While Soviet courts were never independent in the Western sense, their use for political suppression has recently become more prominent.

As far as prison camps are concerned, there are four categories in the Soviet Union today: "special," "strict," "reinforced" and "ordinary."

The "special" camps are the severest. Inmates are allowed only one visitor each per year after having served half their sentence. They are not allowed to receive any food parcels at all, but may receive one letter a year.

The result of this is, in many cases, death by slow starvation, since the standard camp diet contains only one-third of the calories vital to health.

Many of the prisoners in the "special" camps are made to work in uranium mines, and mortality and suicide rates are very high.

The inmates of "strict" camps are allowed one visit a year—husband, wife, and so on—after having served half of their sentence. They are then also allowed to receive one parcel of food and clothing and one letter a year.

In the "reinforced" camps, the mail allowance is two letters a year. After half his sentence has been served, a prisoner is allowed one visitor every six months, a parcel every six months and one visit to the camp shop every three months.

Once they have served half their sentences, they are allowed to receive one visit every three months and one parcel a month.

A more recent, and sinister, development is the practice of declaring inconvenient people "insane" and confining them in "psychiatric hospitals," where conditions are extremely harsh.

LETTER FROM ISRAEL — a CJN exclusive

Anarchy in Gaza

Gravediggers in Gaza have had a boom year. Apart from the normal rate of mortality—somewhat higher in Gaza's packed refugee camps than elsewhere in the occupied territories—they have also had to bury some 80 local Arabs murdered in cold blood by fellow-Arabs, and an additional 32 who fell victim to terrorist hand-grenades.

Although there have been considerable Israeli successes in hunting down terrorist gangs and uncovering hidden arms caches the main task of the security forces has been to try and maintain some semblance of normality in the overcrowded Strip.

It is this effort which attracted the main attention of the terrorist groups, El Fatah, the Palestine Liberation Front and some smaller splinter groups.

But there have also been bloody feuds between the terrorists themselves, the grim testimony to which is to be seen in the almost weekly discovery on some beach or in some orange grove of a bullet-riddled body or two.

Yet, despite the prevailing chaos, there has been progress in the economic status of the Gaza Strip.

Apart from the thousands who daily cross into Israel for work (and there are jobs for as many as want them), local medical services have been greatly improved and water and electricity has been provided in the refugee camps.

But the sorest point remains the refugee camps. Israel's ugly inheritance from some 19 years of Egyptian rule.

Some critics say that Israel could and should do more to get the refugees out of the camps and into better accommodation. Any such move, however—apart from the resistance of the refugees themselves—would be bound to be interpreted by Israel's enemies as one more example of "cruel oppression."

There are others who think that the only future for the Gaza refugees lies in the West Bank area. The snag is the main resistance to this idea comes from the West Bankers themselves.

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JDL regrets misunderstanding

KAHANE EXPLAINS

Rabbi Meir Kahane, international chairman of the Jewish Defense League, in a statement to The Canadian Jewish News, declared that neither he nor the JDL should be held responsible for a *lapsus linguae* ascribed to the international coordinator of the organization.

Last week in an editorial in this newspaper, we asked the JDL leader to comment publicly on a regrettable statement made during the Channel 9 debate when the position of the Israeli government was misinterpreted by a JDL representative.

Rabbi Kahane told The Canadian Jewish News that no one would expect any government either to speak out in favor of violence or to support it. Although in its frequently quoted statement the Israeli government has never publicly mentioned the JDL in its condemnation of violence, no one should question the motives of those responsible for the Jewish State. Nor should the Jewish Defense League ever be dragged into a debate with the government of Israel, whose aims are to defend the Jewish people, Kahane indicated. All Jews who believe in the destiny of Israel and are dedicated to its survival, Kahane indicated, should be united. The JDL leader also said that a Jewish organization abroad should never criticize the Israeli government.

Brezhnev: "Wrong! The Promised Land is not there!"

(Le Canard Enchaîné, Paris)

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

JEWISH STUDENTS HAVE A CAUSE

Dear editor,

In recent months and years many of our parents and their generation have begun to fear that we, their kids, were drifting to doom. We are asked, why our romance with Fidel, and Ho Chi Minh, and Mao Tse Tung? Slowly, but surely small groups of young Jews, self-styled Jewish Liberation Fighters, have been working among their fellow students, to change the trend. Why? They have been struggling to heighten Jewish People. Our goals: to instil pride and self-respect and to hasten our return to Israel.

For several weeks now the success of the student Soviet Jewry Offensive has been evident. Save Soviet Jewry buttons, bumper stickers, and stamps are being proudly worn and displayed on our campus, as well as in the community at large. Several thousand people came to see our Jewish Heroine, Luba Bershadskaja. Our students have been exposed to a Soviet Jewry Week on campus when Rabbi Kahane of the Jewish Defense League spoke. Our campus newspapers, Masada and Or, have given muscle to the Jewish Liberation Struggle.

Judging from the students' zeal and consistent hard work, it can safely be said that we have seen only the tip of the iceberg. There is plenty more to come. Either we must all arise and unite for the struggle of Jewish survival or we shall sink pathetically into oblivion.

The Student Activist answer and slogan is: "Am Israel Chai!"

Stan Steinman
Downsview, Ont.

A RETURN TO REASON

Dear editor,

Recent antisemitic outbursts against Jewish store owners in poorer urban areas in the United States as well as the New Left's condemnation of the Zionist movement as being a reactionary tool of the rich Jews in America have undoubtedly been considerably precipitated by these Jews' flaunting of their material wealth.

The Call To Reason (The Canadian Jewish News, January 8th) wisely called upon the Jewish community to stop overindulging in lavish Bar Mitzvah celebrations, weddings, and general social life, and start using its money for more honorable purposes.

This good advice was not well taken to by Mr. Samuel Bernstein who criticized the plea in his letter (The Canadian Jewish News, January 22nd). Mr. Bernstein pointed out that there is no reason Jews should prevent themselves from indulging in these and other luxuries if they are economically able to do so. Theoretically, Mr. Bernstein is correct as is Adam Smith in his advocation of a pure laissez-faire society. Every person, regardless of ethnic origin, should be permitted to have complete freedom of action within the framework of the society's laws. There is, however, a complete and serious lack of practicality in this highly idealistic argument. Just as poor labor conditions and exploitation of workers necessitated social reform in the industrialized societies, thus curbing the capitalists' economic autonomy, so must the perpetually haunting specter of antisemitism incorporate inhibitions of the Jews living in Exile (or the diaspora, as liberals call it).

To briefly illustrate my point, I will briefly discuss the rather unsure position of the Jew in Quebec. The danger threatening the Jew of Quebec comes largely from the French working class of this province.

The French Canadian working people are turning more and more to separatism as the solution to their economic problems. Their natural enemies in this struggle are the upper middle and upper classes, which control the means of production in Quebec. This class is largely English and partly Jewish. Nevertheless it is the Jew and not the Anglo-Saxon who is regarded by the French employees as "boss". This is simply because the Jew is and has always been very easily identifiable and because the Jews of Quebec and more particularly Montreal have been near fanatic exhibitionists of their "Nouveau Richesse". Many Montreal Jews have made a religion of parties, social evenings, Saturday night get-togethers at the 'trief' "Kosher Style" restaurants, hypocritical Bar Mitzvot in beautifully decorated hotel ballrooms, and frequent Testimonial Dinners in honor of rich men ('community leaders', no doubt) who are Jewish only by grace of their High Holiday attendance in the synagogue, their B'nai B'rith membership cards and their sizeable (tax-deductible) donations to the United Jewish Appeal. This is what their Judaism amounts to and this is the image they project to the non-Jewish workers and indeed, their own children who rightly choose not to identify with this brand of 'culture'.

As a result of their gross materialism, the Jews of Quebec are seen as the enemy of the workers. If Quebec should separate, the Jews will undoubtedly pay heavily for their noble but exaggerated assertation of their technical legal rights.

The Jew must always be aware of the potentiality of destructive antisemitism and guide himself accordingly. Of course, the final solution to this problem is Alyah to our historic homeland -- Eretz Yisrael.

Allan Nadler,
Montreal, Quebec

THE JARRING TALKS

Dear editor,

Suggestions by the press for flexibility and concessions to the underdog during the Jarring talks will harness public opinion to favor an Israeli withdrawal from the Sinai desert without adequate safeguards.

Have you forgotten that it was the Egyptians who masochistically provoked the war in 1967 in which they were soundly defeated and humiliated? Now they protest in "righteous indignation" at the "injustice" of the Israeli defensive occupation of the barren Sinai. The Russians, who occupy Eastern Europe, cynically support them in order to advance Soviet imperialism in this region also.

You certainly must realize that the Egyptians, after provoking no fewer than three wars in recent times, will not honor any scrap-of-paper-peace agreement unless compelled to do so by the alternative of certain defeat.

The honoring of international guarantees will be stalled and vetoed by the Russians at the crucial moment when help is needed. After an Israeli withdrawal, it is just a matter of time until the missiles move to the Negev border. If our defense forces are defeated you will witness a glorious orgy of plunder, rape and killing as only the enemy hordes know how to execute with such skill and style.

After record sales of newspapers and magazines describing the bloody massacre, you will shed tears and build monuments to the brave resistance of the Jews who were once again wiped out defending their freedom and independence. The Russians will have conveniently solved their own internal problem with their "traitorous" Jews who long for their homeland after 2000 years of exile.

Dr. Norman W. Shaul
Toronto

CREDENTIALS QUESTIONED

Dear editor,

In the issue of February 5 you introduced the author of the article Polish tragedy Mr. Eugen Loebl as the I. deputy Minister for Foreign trade in the Dubcek government, Czechoslovakia. Readers may be interested to learn Mr. Loebl was also a high official in the Communist Government of that unfortunate country during the darkest days of the first years after the putsh.

It is necessary to say that he even cooperated in the overthrow of the legitimate coalition postwar government. He has only to thank his efficiency that after the ominous trial of 1952 he didn't share the fate of several others, many of them Jews, e.g. Slansky, to be condemned to death. The reason for him being sentenced to life imprisonment at that time was the fact that he was arrested too soon to commit many mistakes.

In 1960 he was rehabilitated and given the post of the president of the State Bank in Bratislava.

I don't believe this man to be a good analyst of present day politics behind the Iron Curtain. Having been once on the top he hardly can understand what's going on in the lower levels of government. Neither can he be a sincere contributor to a Jewish newspaper. Would he have been at the time of his allegiance to the Communist doctrine?

K. Severin
Toronto

ASK THE RABBI

a JCNS featurette

According to rabbinic tradition, the Patriarchs knew and observed the Torah. How, then, could Jacob marry two sisters, or Abraham marry the daughter of his father? (See Genesis 20, 12).

First, it should be noted that not all the rabbis held that the Patriarchs observed the Torah before it was given. Many rabbis held that the Patriarchs only kept the "seven laws of the sons of Noah" *(see Ginzberg: Legends of the Jews, Vol. V, p. 259)*. According to the view that the Patriarchs did keep the Torah, certain exceptions were none the less made "for the sake of heaven." There was much discussion on this in the Middle Ages; for instance, does Genesis 18, 7-8, mean that Abraham gave his visitors first milk and then meat, and not both together? *(See Ginzberg, p. 235)*. Modern scholars have detected in the statements about the Patriarchs keeping the Torah an anti-Christian polemic, the Christian claim being that one could be a good man without the Law as evidenced by the Patriarchs. Incidentally, according to one rabbinic interpretation of Genesis 20, 12, Sarah was not Abraham's half-sister, but his brother's daughter *(see Rashi to this verse)*.

Being in a strange town one major festival I was refused admission to the synagogue as I did not have a seat. Would you say this is justified? I cannot imagine a church turning away someone like this.

I can imagine a church turning away visitors when a special service was being held where seats were in short supply. If the church did give preference to visitors over regular congregants it would surely be guilty of privilege in reverse. But I am not defending the practice of turning people away. Generally speaking synagogues do keep aside a few seats for visitors, but it is hardly fair to descend on a synagogue without warning on a major festival. The correct thing to do if you intend to be away from home on these festivals is to write in good time to the rabbi or the officers of a synagogue in the town you intend to visit and it is very unlikely that you will be other than welcome.

How does Hebrew come to be written from right to left? Should we not modernise the script and bring it into line with almost universal usage?

The question why the Hebrew language came to be written from right to left has been asked before in this column. I replied then, and I am no wiser now, that I did not know. However, whether or not this was the original reason it has been suggested that "right" in the Jewish tradition symbolises such concepts as justice, mercy and *right*eousness.

As to whether we should modernise the script, No, no, no! Why should Hebrew (or for that matter Chinese) be "brought into line with almost universal usage"? Variety is the spice of life. The effort required to read the present Hebrew script is little in comparison with the difficulties of learning the language itself, and is in any event a small price to pay for preserving the tradition and the beauty of the ancient script. For most of us, to "modernise" the Hebrew script in this way would be an act of Philistinism akin to the practice (adopted fortunately in very few congregations) of substituting the "modern" instrument of a trumpet for the *shofar*, the oldest musical instrument known to man.

OPINIONS

by Benjamin Hollander

JEWISH IN-FIGHTING THE PROS AND CONS...

The author is a rabbi in charge of education and youth activities at a Toronto Synagogue.

Your editorial, "Jewish In-Fighting; Do We Need It?" (The Canadian Jewish News January 29th) implies an answer of "no" and an endorsement of the Jewish Defense League. May I express some reservations about this position.

It is true of course that the phenomenon of in-fighting is not overly inspiring and can become harmful in its own right. (Note, for example, the causeless hatred which, according to rabbinic interpretation, brought about the destruction of the Temple, and, in our own time, the harmful fragmentation during the period of the Israeli War for Independence.) On the other hand, the positive aspect to the "two Jews, three opinions" syndrome is that Jews have always taken thought and action seriously enough to think independently and committedly.

THE MEANS AND THE END

It is consequently inevitable that on the issue of Soviet Jewry, however unifying the "end" may be, the "means" bring serious disagreement. In a case where no less than life and death (certainly in the Soviet Union and just possibly in North America if we take the JDL at face value) are involved, those who feel certain means to be dangerously counter-productive would be morally irresponsible not to criticize. Surely the JDL itself does not hesitate to denounce publicly the means (or lack of them) of Establishment organizations. Why should we expect differently of the "respectable" organizations who are deeply committed (however misguided we may think they are to the rightness righteousness?) of their own means of doing things?

Thus I argue "yes"; we very much do need a lively public debate now about the forms our action should take. Jewish survival is not solely a physical phenomenon and it would be un-Jewish to divorce body from soul. "Is it good for the Jews?" should not supersede considerations of "Is it good?" Remember Nineveh!

Only with hindsight (and even then the historian's judgment is always tempered by cultural and subjective leanings) will we be able to judge the consequences of JDL actions. In the meantime, we must walk the tightrope between being soft on self-criticism and against being repressively critical. The stakes are three million hostages too high. We pray that the militant means of the JDL will bring more productive results than the Jewish community's methods until now. However, a police state is not so vulnerable to blackmail tactics as a democracy.

ANOTHER HOLOCAUST?

While JDL might not be intimidated by legal persecution in America, one shudders to think what new kinds of persecution could await Soviet Jewry. At the moment it is primarily a cultural rather than a political genocide we are protesting, yet there lurks a possibility that a second holocaust could result from our attempts to expiate our guilt at having allowed the Holocaust to happen once. The Jews are a unique kind of danger to any ideology demanding total loyalty, and we have already seen one irrational regime adopt the Final Solution even at the expense of pragmatic war aims.

Despite Soviet irrationality, it seems to be a calculated risk of JDL harassment tactics that Russia will want to get rid of the Jewish problem rather than see it exacerbated to the size to which JDL is willing to blow it up. This may or may not prove true, but I think that a major fear of "Jewish leaders" is that those who are drawn to making bombs and shooting rifles are not always those skilled in complex calculations. (On the other hand, Jewish activists could argue quite plausibly that those drawn to making complex calculations are so busy making complex calculations that they are not always skilled in acting.) But statements like "Two Russians for every Jew" don't bolster one's confidence in the mind -- or heart -- of JDL. Militance in the right hands can be a "good" means; however, the emotional appeal of the means tends to draw to it an unstable element who no longer use it but become possessed by it. Another reason why we must keep our minds open and critical.

JDL IN CANADA AND THE US

As a newcomer of a few months to Canada from the United States, I would like also to draw attention to the far more exuberant reponse to JDL here than I found in the States. Sentiment among college students I have encountered in Toronto is that the JDL'r is the "liberated" Jew, whereas on American campuses he is more likely labelled "fascist"; the former claim he is more a Jew while the latter that he is less the Jew and more like his oppressor. (No wonder we can't stifle public disagreement!) I would like to offer several reasons which might contribute to this divergence of response, and then uggest what might be the lesson we can learn from the difference:

One, the Canadian Jewish community is "a generation behind" the American Jewish community, which is more assimilated and entrenched in its national establishment and thus more involved with considerations of image and respectability. Hence, the Canadian community tends to be more responsive to parochial concerns ("What is good for the Jews?"), while the American community responds according to the liberal "universal" ideology ("What is good?") with those goals they associate Jewish aspirations.

Two, the Jewish community here in Canada, as a result of its being "a generation behind", is both closer to the Holocaust and its message, and closer to Israel and its heroes. It is thus somewhat easier here than in the States to oversimplify the comparison between the Holocaust and the Soviet situation, and to confuse Israel and Diaspora conditions. Needless to say then, "Never again" hits home in a more emotion-producing way.

Three, the Jewish community in the States has been very involved in the nonviolent emphases of the civil rights movement and anti-Vietnam protest, and is thus preconditioned to be turned off by JDL strong-arm tactics which are more reminiscent of (generally antisemitic) radical right and left groups. In Canada, civil rights and Vietnam not being real factors, what model there is is an increasingly militant nationalism.

Four, the JDL has come to prominence here on the heels of the Leningrad trials and the JDL attempt to keep the issue in the headlines. But JDL in the States first became known a couple of years ago around a different issue: its appraisal of American antisemitism which led to its establishing a vigilante self-defense thrust. This did not gain the same communal approval as the Soviet Jewry case. Thus, in a strange reversal, a group that has been considered "reactionary" in the States has taken on the aura of "radicalism" here.

JEWISH ACTIVISM IN CANADA

What I am suggesting is that Canadian Jewry deserves their own brand of Jewish activists and not an imported branch of an American organization which has a right-wing authoritarian tone and a backlash burden neither intrinsic to the Soviet Jewish issue nor appropriate to the Canadian scene. To say one "agrees with Kahane but not with all his tactics" as I have heard over and over again here has gained him enormous popularity but has fuzzed the issue. Everyone agrees on the "end" involved which it comes to Soviet Jewry; it is only the tactics about which we disagree. That there has been a previous lack of leadership on the Soviet Jewish issue before the Leningrad trial rallying point, does not mean that we have to embrace the first leader who makes the headlines. There are, for example, some student action groups deserving of our support; will we join the media in only rewarding the bomb-throwers? In short, we need our own organization, our own newsletter going to every Jewish family -- and our own action attuned to our political conditions.

At the moment, and in the short run, we are benefiting from a morally questionable symbiosis: the Establishment Jewish organizations are benefiting from the Jewish Establishment's rejection of their actions which result in a blunting of the teeth of backlash. Each one uses the other to do what it considers the "dirty work" while it keeps its own conscience clean. If we can face this fact, perhaps we can put an end to the name-calling and the separatism which, having catalyzed our energies, are now in danger of diverting them. Let us work towards a higher level of synthesis, one in which the values of militance and ethical responsibility, particularism and universalism, are combined in an active campaign which, hopefully, will unite the community -- and save Soviet Jewry.

The Righteous Gentiles

SEVENTH IN A SERIES

THE COUNT OF AUSCHWITZ

Charles Coward, son of a poor family living in the London working-class quarter of Edmonton, joined the British Army in 1924 after a joyless childhood, and served for five years in India. Back in England, he rose to the rank of sergeant-major in the artillery, and on the outbreak of World War II went to France, only to be wounded and taken prisoner in the second week of the fighting. His nineteen escapes are descrived in John Castle's book The Password is Courage.

It was in the Monowitz prisoner-of-war camp, only about 2 km. from Auschwitz that Coward first came to know of Jewish suffering. The camp had been built by Russian prisoners-of-war, who were coldbloodedly killed to the last man by the Nazis once their work was done. Now, a previously sceptical Coward, peering through the electrically-charged barbed wire, could see black trains steaming in day and night, and weak, skeletal, pale-faced Jews stumbling out and brought straight to the "bakery" -- the disgusting German name for the gas-chambers. "I heard them cry out 'Shema Yisrael'," says Coward. "I saw how the Germans directed some of them to the right and others to the left. At first I kept wondering, why do they let themselves be led to the slaughter like cattle? Then I understood. The Germans had deliberately broken them, physically and mentally. Auschwitz was only the last, inevitable stage in this mass extermination. But I also heard about Jews who rebelled, about a Jewish woman who shot a German officer to death, about a young Jew from Bulgaria who attached a dynamite charge to his own body and threw himself on the main dynamo of the camp and blew it up."

TRADING IN CORPSES

Coward's private war against the Germans took a sharp turn one morning when a young British prisoner-of-war, Reynolds ordered to repair the barbed wire fence, asked for gloves to protect his hands, and the German sergeant said that there was no need for them. Reynolds called for Coward, who was camp liaison officer, but the sergeant frenziedly rejected his passionate intervention and shot Reynolds dead. Coward understood at last that it was not only the Jews, the Poles and the Czechs that the Germans were out to destroy, but everything human; he was resolved to confound them to his utmost.

As liaison officer with the Germans and the Red Cross he had the right, accompanied by a German soldier, to visit Auschwitz and Birkenau; invariably he brought cigarettes, chocolate, coffee and preserves to bribe the hungry guards. It was then that he conceived a brilliant and daring scheme. He prompted his regular escort: "Tell him -- I shall pay him well." Hastily a German officer appeared and asked Coward in strictly commercial accents: "How much?" "Ten slabs of chocolate and twenty cigarettes each," was Coward's reply. "When, where and how many?" "Tomorrow at nine, three in the sideditch between the factory and Birkenau. Payment on delivery."

That evening Coward asked a young Hungarian Jew, his chief contact man in Auschwitz, to warn three of the prisoners, due for forced labor outside the camp the next day, of the plan and the rendezvous: they should try to be the last in the group, and should jump into the ditch at the right moment; he would be waiting for them, would supply them with civilian clothes and help them to get away. When the Germans found three men missing at roll-call, they would discover the three corpses in their search, and assume that the three men had collapsed on the way to work. Everything went according to plan. Coward and his companion Tiff his in the ditch, dealt with the three runaways, and dragged the corpses on to the middle of the road for the Germans to find. Thus Coward saved -- some say scores, some say hundreds of Jewish lives.

On his visits to Birkenau,

(Cont. on page 6)

KEEP SMILING

The famous Nathan Rothschild had little use for art works. Art dealers had no luck in attempting to make an art patron out of the Jewish financier. "Can't throw away money on paintings," he would say. Rothschild was, of course, so wealthy that he had no need to affect the snobbery of many Englishmen of his day -- he would not even use the title of baron that belonged to his family.

Once, however, an art dealer who brought with him a letter from the chief rabbi of England did manage to make some impression of the great dynast. "All right," conceded Rothschild, "give me a thirty-pound picture. I don't care which one. Goodbye."

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On a flight on the Israeli airline, El Al, the middle-aged stweardess succeeded in mothering the passengers into a state of complete contentment. During lunch she urged the passengers to eat as if they were her own guests, or members of her own family. As the plane approached Israel, she announced: "We'll start to descend very shortly. The weather is fine, and we'll be ahead of schedule. You can believe this, because my son, the pilot, told me."

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Says Barbra Streisand about her childhood: "We were awfully poor. But we had a lot of things that money can't buy -- like unpaid bills.

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One man's definition: "Marriage is like a warm bath. Once you get used to it, it's not so hot."

SERMON FOR THE WEEK

SUPPLYING THE MATERIAL

They shall make an Ark of acacia-wood. . .(Exodus 25:10).

The Midrash asks: "Where did the Children of Israel obtain the wood for the construction of the Ark and the furnishings of the Tabernacle? They were in the desert on the way to the Holy Land, and there are no trees in a desert. Where then did they get wood?"

There is an old legend that when Jacob went down into Egypt, he planted trees. He was asked: "Why are you planting trees? Do you intend to remain in Egypt instead of returning to your native land?"

"I am planting trees," he replied, "so that, when the Children of Israel leave Egypt, they may cut the trees for wood and take the wood with them for the Mishkan 'the Tabernacle'."

According to this legend, Jacob must have foreseen that the building of Jewish institutions in Israel would require material which could only be obtained from Jews in the diaspora. And thus, from Jewish communities throughout the world have come the resources with which to build not only Houses of Worship and yeshivot "schools of learning", but also hospitals, universities and all other necessary institutions.

FROM HEAVEN ON YOUR HEAD, by Dr. S.Z. Kahana; adapted by Rabbi Morris Silverman. By arrangement with Hartmore House, Hartmore House, Hartford, Conn.

BOOKS OF THE WEEK

by Dr. Arnold Ages

QUEST FOR COMMUNITY

NEW YORK JEWS AND THE QUEST FOR COMMUNITY. By Arthur A. Goren, Columbia University Press. 361 pp.

Arthur A. Goren, the author of this book, teaches American History at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

He describes the attempt on the part of Jews during the years 1908-1922 to create a unified organizational structure that would include the disparate elements forming the New York Jewish population.

The organizational body that was formed in 1908, the Kehillah (Hebrew for community), originated in response to attack by external elements.

In September of that year Theodore A. Bingham, police commissioner of New York, wrote an article in the North American Review alleging that Jews were responsible for most of the crime in his city.

"They are burglars, firebugs, pickpockets and highway robbers -- when they have the courage", Bingham had written, "but though all crime is their province, pocket-picking is the one to which they take most naturally."

"Among the most expert of all," he continued, "are the Hebrew boys under sixteen who are brought up to lives of crime. . .The juvenile Hebrew emulates the adult in the matter of crime percentage."

The shocking nature of the commissioner's charges, and their antisemitic coloration, produced waves of outrage among members of New York's Jewish community.

The Yiddish dailies scored the commissioner for his prejudiced views and demanded community action. Jewish leaders representing various interests called press conferences to counter the commissioner's accusations and to offer other statistics.

Individual Jewish leaders expressed regret at the time that there was no representative organization through which New York's Jews could voice their reaction to Bingham's hostile remarks.

It was in response to the latter, as well as the realization that unity had value, that the Kehillah of New York emerged hesitatingly and cautiously in the fall months of 1908.

Needless to say, it was not an easy task to unite New York Jewry.

In addition to the considerable frictions engendered by different religious outlooks, there were also serious cultural, social and ethnic disparities among the groups that the Kehillah sought to represent. There was a world of differences between the English-speaking Reform Jew of German origin who lived uptown -- and the Yiddish speaking Russian Orthodox type who lived downtown.

Although the Kehillah sprang into existence primarily for the purpose of antidefamation, it soon extended its interests far beyond those boundaries.

An attempt was made to bring some regulation into the chaotic situation in the areas of Jewish philanthropy, education and religious practices.

Perhaps the most difficult area in which the Kehillah tried to get involved was kosher slaughtering.

In order to inspect the status of kashrut in the city's butcher shops it would have required policing some 5,000 retail outlets and some 1,000 ritual slaughterers.

"The poultry sector suffered from a multitude of small processing units, cutthroat competition, and depressed wages. Hundreds of middlemen, the socalled 'speculators', provided credit for the small retailers and connived frequently in the selling of non-kosher meat." Out of this anarchic state that the Kehillah tried to bring order -- without notable success. The organization created to supervise that awaits the reader unfamiliar with American-Jewish history is the role played by Judah Magnes as head of the Kehillah.

Magnes, who ended his days as the utopian dreamer-president of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem (and staunch advocate of a binational Arab-Jewish state in Palestine) was apparently the only person capable, during those days, of commanding the respect of Jews all across the religious and social spectrum.

Arthur Goren has provided some fascinating insights into a little publicized aspect of Magnes' early career. Much of this information has been derived from investigations into the Magnes archives at the Hebrew University.

One of the most puzzling aspects of Magnes' career was his decision, in 1917, to adopt pacifist and radical positions on the war. Further, he associated with and chaired groups which openly sided with Russia.

Mordecai Kaplan's diary (which Goren cites frequently in his book) testifies to the tensions that existed as a result of Magnes' political predilections. Judge Irving Lehman, for example, found Magnes to be an embarassment to the Kehillah, even though he revered him as a spiritual teacher. He would have invited Magnes to his house, he replied to a questioner, but not with strangers in attendance.

There is one slight criticism to be made of this book. The style tends to be ponderous and the documentation overwhelming. These weaknesses, however, do not detract from the great contribution it makes to our understanding of American-Jewish history.

Arab press flourishes

Jerusalem, (JCNS). - The new freedom allowed and enjoyed by Arabs in the occupied areas and Jerusalem is best seen in the appearance of new Arab-sponsored publications and the expansion of existing ones.

Bethlehem, for instance, is since Saturday the home of a new Arabic weekly -- the only journal published anywhere under Israeli control.

Named "Al Bashir" (The Prophet) it is edited by the chairman of the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce and contains condensations of political and other reports from both the Israeli and Arab press.

Recently, East Jerusalem saw the publication of a general interest bi-monthly under the editorship of a local Arab public relations man.

"Al Kuds" (Jerusalem) the independent and widest circulating Arab-language daily, which has been published in East Jerusalem for the past two years, plans to expand to meet the ever-growing demand of its readers in Israel and the West Bank. Its competitor, the Government-sponsored "Al Anba" (The News) which also publishes a monthly magazine, plans a new sales drive following the installation of new printing equipment.

Dutch dictionary unamended

Amsterdam, (JCNS). - A Hague court rejected last week an application by Mr. Hans Boekdrukker for an order for the reprinting of the ninth edition of Van Dale Dutch language dictionary, printed in October, arising from a complaint that derogatory references to Jews had not been modified.

Mr. Boekdrukker said that as a member of the Jewish community he felt insulted by such references. However, Dr. A. H. Lycklama, the court president, stated that the scientific value of the dictionary should not be called in question.

Counsel for the publishers told the court that derogatory references to Jews in the definitions in future editions would also include the statement: "This linguistic usage is reprehensible".

The Ashkenazi, Sephardi and Liberal communities sent a joint letter to the publishers protesting against the continued printing of the references. Most newspapers did not agree with the court application by Jewish circles.

BRAZILIAN FIRM ON ARAB BLACK LIST

Rio de Janeiro, (JCNS). - For the first time, a Brazilian firm has been put on the Arab black list for trading with Israel.

The firm, Sondotecnica, is carrying out irrigation projects in under-developed areas of Brazil in conjunction with the Israeli water-planning company, Tahal.

It is headed by a Jew, Dr. Haim Rotstein.

THE HEART'S A WONDER.—Dennis Thatcher is the very spirit of Ireland in a musical adaptation of the Synge classic, "Playboy of the Western World". Alan Lund directs this fresh, new musical at the Bayview Playhouse Theater, Toronto.

Sam Spiegel's "Lawrence of Arabia" will be reissued next month. It's been shown in every country in the world except Jordan, where it was filmed.

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Ruth Gordon began her 75th year by posing for a Vogue photo by Dick Avedon. Three installments from her autobiography, "Myself A-mont Others", will appear in Vogue. The star received a gift from a cherished friend. She brought it to the place where it had been bought, and explained she might lose it some day and would need an estimate to collect insurance.

She had the manager write the estimate and place it inside a sealed envelope.

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Joe Mankiewicz' next movie may be "Nijinsky" starring Nureyev.

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Makarova, the ballerina who defected, has been booked to appear with the Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra

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This summer Martina Arroyo will sing "Aida" at the festival of Verona's centennial.

Armand Erpf, the banker-industrialist who died recently, had a varied career. He knew a great deal about art, and at a Washington party for museum officials he was the only one who properly identified a painting as one by Joan Miro. Erpf once saw all the shows in the 57th St. art galleries and said: "In New York the paintings get bigger, the apartments smaller."

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A new magazine, Movie Lies, will feature "The Unexpurgated Love Poems of John Wayne"

ALL-BLACK JEWISH CHOIR HIGHLIGHTS GALA CONCERT.—For the first time in Toronto, on Saturday evening, February 27th, at Adath Israel Synagogue, the community will have an opportunity to hear and enjoy a unique and celebrated choir—the Adat Beyt Moshe Choir from the community of Black Jews in Hammonton, New Jersey.

Acclaimed by critics and audiences throughout the United States, the Choir gives joyful rendition to Jewish folk songs, Hebrew liturgical melodies and Israeli compositions.

Rabbi Abel Respes, spiritual leader of Adat Beyt Moshe, known as "A House of Prayer for All People" will accompany the choir to Toronto.

Their appearance in Toronto has generated exceptional community interest in view of the fact that plans are underway for Rabbi Respes, the Choir, and congregation members to emigrate permanently to Israel in the near future.

Appearing with the Black Jewish Choir will be Lou Mason, leading Jewish humorist of TV, stage and radio who will be Master-of-Ceremonies; the Zim Brothers whose voices range from operatic arias to Chassidic Rock; and the Bill Berle Orchestra.

PUNTILA CAST ANNOUNCED

Puntila and Matti, His Hired Hant opens at Toronto's St. Lawrence Center March 5th. Principal roles will be played by Anthony Palmer as Puntila, Bernard Behrens as Matti, and Anne Anglin as Eva.

Directed by Kurt Reis, Bertolt Brecht's play is being presented in a new translation by Ralph Manheim. This madcap comedy concerns the trials and tribulations of a hard-driving Finnish farmer-businessman who, well lubricated with booze charms the population but, when sober turns instantly into a unholy terror.

FINAL CONCERT OF THE SEASON

The Concert Choir of the University of Toronto, assisted by the Faculty of Music's Repertory Chorus, Lloyd Bradshaw, Music Director and Conductor, will present its final concert of the season on Sunday, February 28th, at 8:30 p.m. in the MacMillan Theater, Edward Johnson Building.

The first half of the concert will include works by Palestrina, Gabrieli and Vaughan Williams.

Following intermission, Mr. Bradshaw will display his singer's more individual skills, building from solo voice to duet, through madrigals for trio, quartet and quintet, ending once more with full choirs, including works by Samuel Barber and Bela Bartok.

Please note that contrary to the Faculty of Music's Events Brochure, no tickets are required for this concert and there is no admission charge.

THE "DUKE" AT BEVERLY HILLS

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Over 20 years have passed since Arthur Koestler published his very controversial opinions on the future of the Jews. They first appeared in his book "Promise and Fulfilment" and were reinforced some four years later in "Judah at the Crossroads", one of a number of characteristically brilliant essays now reprinted by Hutchinson in the Danube Edition of the "Trail of the Dinosaur".

Koestler's argument, it will be remembered, ran something like this: The birth of the State of Israel had made it possible to solve the Jewish problem once and for all. Jews could now either settle in Israel or disappear among the host countries of the Dispersion.

It made no sense to go on being a Jew outside of Israel, he reasoned, as Jewish moral values had been absorbed by European civilization. Furthermore, by choosing to remain Jews, parents were inflicting unnecessary suffering on their children, exposing them to antisemitism which was caused by Jewish separation.

They were all the more hurtful because each of the steps in the argument contained some grain of truth. It was illogical, for instance, for Jews who had been saying: "Next year in Jerusalem" for 2,000 years voluntarily to chose to remain "in exile".

On the other hand, Koestler ignored the fact that flourishing diasporas had always existed side by side with an independent Jewish State. Thus only a small minority of Babylonian Jewry returned to rebuild the Temple. At various times in history, in fact, the Jew outside Judea vastly outnumbered those living within it.

It is true too that European civilization has borrowed many of its ethical principles from the Jews. But has it lived up to those principles? How much of a hold on Christian Germany did the Ten Commandments have between 1933 and 1945?

Thus far the passing years seem to have taken little notice of Koestler's counsel of despair. In the first place there is the phenomenon of diasporas that have continued to expand and prosper, notably in France, Britain and the US. Antisemitism, except for the aberant behaviour of a few Black Power extremists, appears to have declined, probably because more convenient and vulnerable scapegoats have been found.

Finally, there is the most remarkable phenomenon of all: that of Soviet Jewry which, despite all odds, has managed not only to survive as an identifiable entity but to have developed an intense overpowering loyalty and devotion to the Jewish people and to the Jewish homeland.

The irony is supreme, for Koestler, despite his powerful and eloquent renunciation of the Communist way of life, has, on the Jewish question, strangely continued to cling to the Marxist belief that assimilation is the answer.

THE COUNT OF AUSCHWITZ

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Coward had made friends with a Jewish youngster, Hacke. For weeks, Coward and his helpers smuggled explosives, detonators, gunparts and light ammunition into the camp, and, on the appointed day, Hacke and his friends blew up the "showers" and gas-chambers, killing three Germans. None of the members of this Jewish suicide squad survived. Learning that the Germans knew about him and were going to send him to Gestapo headquarters in Berlin, Coward escaped and safely reached the advancing Allied lines.

WITNESS AT THE IG FARBEN TRIAL

Coward was duly summoned to testify at the trial before the American military court in Nuerenberg. IG Farben had used hundreds of thousands of prisoners as forced labor, not least in the making of Cyclone B, the gas employed to asphyxiate millions of Jews. Of course they claimed that they had no idea of its purpose, but, on Coward's evidence, several of them were found guilty and given long prison sentences.

Again, when Norbert Wolheim filed his test case for compensation for the years that he had spent working at the Bonne Monowitz IG Farben plant, Coward's shattering testimony won the day: Wolheim was awarded 10,000 Marks, a precedent for thousands of other Jews in like case.

The Jews of Britain felt deeply indebted to Coward and made it possible for him to visit Israel in 1967: he met the President, the man (Yosef Almogi) who was leader of the Jewish Palestinian prisoners-of-war in Germany, and the father of Shimon Peres, then Deputy Minister of Defence, who had taken part in one of Coward's rescue operations.

MONTREAL NOTES

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As part of the city-wide observance of Jewish Music Month, a series of three recitals will be held at the Samuel Bronfman House, to provide a platform for young musical talent.

The first artist is Miss Martha Brickman, harpsichordist, appearing on February 23, at 8:00 p.m. Her program included selections from the works of Thomas Tomkins, J.S. Bach, Francois Couperin and Domenico Scarlatti.

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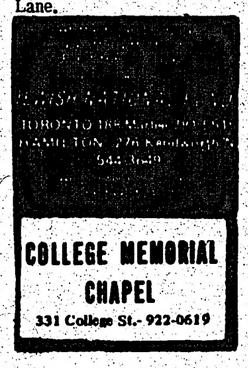

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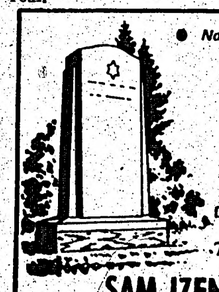

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QUESTION: My brother, divorced and 40, has a problem with his adopted son, 8. My brother has the boy twice a month and for the summer vacations.

My brother's ex-wife remarried a widower, a fireman with four children, all older. Since their marriage, they have had a child together. All the children have chores/duties in the home and this boy's duty is "fire marshal."

His mother seems to have done a good job. The boy is well-behaved.

When the boy visits his father during business days, he is pretty much on his own. My brother has a boutique on the first floor of his home.

Recently, on an extended holiday visit, the boy put a match to a Kleenex and threw it in a waste-basket. My brother found the boy watching TV, oblivious to the smoke which filled the apartment. This has happened twice before.

Should my brother tell the boy's mother. (They have maintained a cordial relationship.)

ANSWER: Among the warning signals that a child sends out when he is first developing a problem are lying, stealing and starting fires.

For an 8-year-old, this youngster has been exposed to many more changes in his life and relationships than is usual.

The child's loneliness because of the absence of his father was somewhat allayed when his mother remarried and brought in a complete substitute family. He undoubtedly liked being surrounded by other children who were older, still enabling him to maintain the position of the cherished baby in the family.

By the time he began to feel adjusted to this new life, with so many people in it, another newcomer arrived. Now, he was no longer the baby, and really felt lost in the shuffle.

The allocation of household duties to each of the children, where he was made the "fire marshal," undoubtedly made this youngster feel very important. The little fires he starts when he is with his father may be a way of telling of the closeness he feels to the stepfather. But it also says that the stepfather spends more time with him than his real father does.

Being left to his own devices most of the day, when he is visiting his father, allows ample time for his fears and anxieties to come to the fore. The father should therefore make arrangements to have someone with the child until his work-day is over.

It would be best for the father to handle this matter of starting fires directly with the boy. However, if your brother would find this too difficult, then the boy's mother and stepfather should handle it. They might stage the conversation about fire-setting, with the step-father telling about the work he does and the great damage and harm that fires can inflict, not only on property, but on people. Without making any accusations, the matter could then be brought out into the open.

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With so many people knowing that he is adopted, you can be sure that the information has gotten through to him, in one way or another. Making believe that he is the natural born son of his parents does not make him feel more wanted. It only says that this is some kind of stigma which must be hidden.

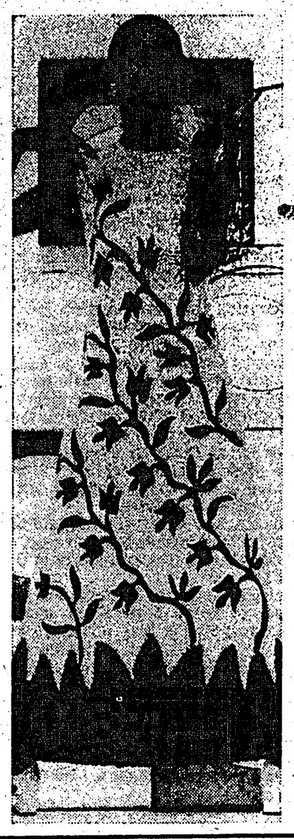
The boy should be told of his adoption now. Since both parents will have to do it on their own, they should discuss and decide together what should be told him, and how.

The essence of what he should be told is that he was adopted out of love, and that he is as loved and treasured as any other member of the family. The parents should also admit that they may have made a mistake in keeping this information about his adoption from him until now, and perhaps did so because they felt he was too young to understand.

But now that he is happily adjusted and secure within the families of both his parents, he is old enough and secure enough to accept this fact in his life, which is really a happy one.

Hot-pants but few midis in Israel

JOY PAUL reports from Tel Aviv



ANNUAL FASHION WEEK

A record 85 Israeli houses, 12 of them new to the scene, were exhibiting, all of them after a share of the fast-booming fashion business which last year earned Israel $55 million.

The accent this year is on the romantic and dreamy. The colours are generally muted. There are all the expected ranges of jumpsuits, billowy culotted, batwing cover-ups and, of course, hot pants.

There are hardly any midis. Israel's team of young new designers are plumping decisively for the Chanel or knee-length clothes.

Folklore, the hallmark of Israeli design, is still in evidence and is particularly attractive in hostess and leisure gowns. Here Beduin striped cottons and Yemini and Moroccan embroidery provide strong and attractive emphasis to free-flowing garments.

Mini-bikinis

Leatherwear, for which Israel is justly famous, takes on a new way-out look with prints in picasso-like designs. The big attraction here, the coats, are, among others, in pigskin, lamb-grey antelope, black mongolian lamb and a magnificent chocolate brown suede coat with detachable cape collar.

In beachwear, bikinis are smaller than ever and the built-in-bra is fast disappearing only the cut providing support.

Men's, children's and infants' wear, shirts and blouses, fabrics, yarns, and, of course, furs, are also major items in the show.

The collections are teamed with new jewellery creations from Israeli designers and jewellery on its own is a highlight of the week.

Expectations

Manufacturers are hopeful that they can do even better than last year when the $55 million export earnings of ready-to-wear clothing and textiles was an impressive 400 per cent increase over the industry's earning in 1965.

MY OPERATION

by Ruthie

I often wondered how it felt to have an operation. Whenever the "girls" got together and discussed their pet maladies, I was left out.

Two weeks ago I underwent surgery. I had looked forward to the event with an almost happy frame of mind. **Mazel!** Now I would become one of the "girls".

For many years I had been a chronic sufferer of appendicitis. When I had the last attack, my doctor advised me to get rid of the appendix. I told him I'd think about it. For awhile, **es iz geblieben** by "thinking".

Then Mother, who lives in another Province, visited me. Not having seen me for quite some time, she noted how tired I looked. Then and there, I decided to have the appendictomy. She would be around to supervise the house, children and hubby. I needn't worry about a thing.

Furthermore, I wanted a vacation. Where else could I have one but in a nice hospital bed, surrounded by nurses who would wait on me "hand and foot"? Anyway, so I thought.

The date was set. I called up my friends to let them know I'd be out of circulation for awhile. That's when I began to feel like a **nebichel.**

"What!" exclaimed one, "You set a date for the operation? I made some spectacle. Mine was an emergency. I had only **twenty minutes** to live".

Another, "**Nu,** so have a good time. Nowadays pulling a tooth is worse."

Still another, "Only appendicitis? I was grabbed away, dying. I saw the **malech ha movess** in the face, **nisht far dir gedacht.**"

By the time I was ready for the ordeal, I was ashamed to tell anyone else. The fact that my loving husband, children and close family were worried didn't matter so much. I lost "face" among my friends.

Oh, well! Maybe something unforseen would happen yet.

No such luck! I entered the hospital in a very routine manner. No red carpet was rolled out, there was no blare of trumpets and I never felt better.

I didn't even have the pleasure of an anaesthetic, so I could tell my visitors how terribly I felt afterwards. I got a "spinal," and in twenty minutes the whole thing was over. **Takeh,** a toothache is worse. A **nayairah** the fuss!

Everything went "with the butter down".

After twenty four hours, I was sitting "dougling". A day later, I was told to try to walk. It was then that the "sick" committee of my Ladies Auxiliary visited me.

"**Oi**", remarked one, "and you're walking already? When I had my gallstones removed, I was fed through tubes for two weeks."

"You should see my lower back!" said another. "My Jake says it looks like a quartered chicken, after my kidney operation."

"Tsk! Tsk! Tsk!" come from another. "You don't even look sick."

By the time my visitors left, I **really** was sick—from mortification. Why did I have to be such a healthy **ferd?**

After a week, I was discharged. The only instructions I received were to take it easy and gradually get back to normal work. No special diet, no special anything.

I arrived home to the arms of my dear ones, a little sad that I had nothing dramatic to relate about the operation.

The whole thing was useless. Still, there's hope. Maybe I'll come down with a strong case of adbesion. Holavy! Anyway better luck next time.

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THE WATERSHED

By Ephraim Kishon

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BEFORE the turning point, my life had been one of drab anonymousness.

Only rarely did I succeed in earning a modicum of public recognition, for instance when I wrote the monumental new Hebrew Encyclopedia, which got special mention in "Moznaim" magazine, in the "Books Received" section, namely: "E. Kish. Hebr. Enc. 24 volumes." Then, if memory serves me, on one of my summer vacations, I conquered Kilimanjaro and, but for the 'flu of the Itim correspondent, would certainly have been mentioned on the radio. A few years later I succeeded in composing Beethoven's Tenth Symphony and then at long last a moderately favourable review appeared in the "Fun and Games" section of "Letzte Nayes." Another bright moment in my life: after I discovered the cure for cancer, I was received by Minister of Health Victor Shemtov and we chatted for about 15 minutes, until the arrival of the delegation from Uruguay. Anything else? Yes, lately I devoted myself to history and wrote the great epic of the Jewish People from the Patriarch Abraham to Pinhas Sapir, a 4,000-page work, and was interviewed by Galei Zahal. But as far as the man-in-the-street was concerned, I was a nobody.

And then the great turning point arrived.

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AS a matter of fact, it happened right out of the blue on that fateful Tuesday. A kid walked up to me on Rehov Frug with a microphone in his hand and asked me what I thought of the situation? I answered:

"It's gonna be all right."

Then I went home and forgot all about it. But at dinner-time there suddenly came a marrow-chilling shriek from the living room where the children were having their meals on the rug in front of the TV set. My son Amir appeared in the doorway shaking in every limb:

"Daddy," he gurgled, "daddy... on TV... daddy... TV.... daddy..."

The child was quite hysterical. We called a doctor and soon we heard him shout as he bounded up the stairs:

"I saw you!" he roared, "I saw... it's gonna be all right... TV...!"

Then I remembered that, indeed, another kid had stood there with some sort of camera, while they asked me my view on things in general. The telephone started ringing:

"Thank you," an old lady from Jerusalem wheezed into the receiver. "Thank you on behalf of mankind."

The first bunch of flowers was sent by the Knesset Speaker. "I was deeply moved by your uninhibited and optimistic approach," he wrote. "I wish you success in all your endeavours." He also asked for two autographs. Then the neighbours filed in and lined up along the walls, gaping at me for hours. The more daring among them drew near, touched the fringe of my coat, then withdrew, overcome with emotion. During the early evening hours an engineer from the Haifa Technion arrived to check my profile.

"Just as I thought," he said and winked at me. "It's gonna be all right, hey?"

These were days of glorious madness, a marvellous time, when all the dreams of youth came true. As I passed places of public gathering, people would whisper behind my back, making a sound like a beehive at election time:

"Look, there he goes, the guy from Tuesday..."

In more than one store it happened that the saleslady stared at me with saucer eyes, blanched and dropped in a dead faint. Women, who until now had been totally indifferent towards me, suddenly got a glint in their eye. And flowers, flowers, flowers. To tell the truth, even the wife's attitude towards me changed for the better. One moonless night I awoke and found her leaning over my prostrate form, looking at me as if she were seeing me for the first time.

"Ephraim," the woman whispered. "From the side you resemble Ringo Starr..."

Even personally, I changed a great deal.

My steps became more masculine, my appearance more impressive. According to my mother, I have grown by two or three centimetres. I became accustomed to beginning my sentences as follows:

"As one who appeared on TV only a few weeks ago, I think..."

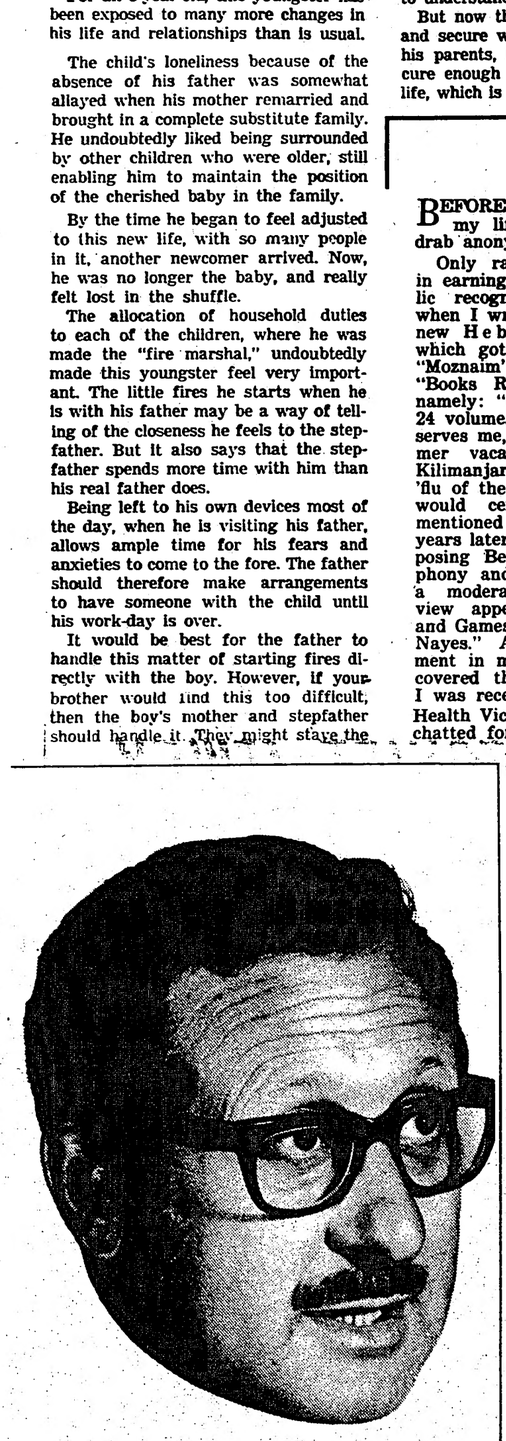
AFTER all these years of frustration and failure, of mucking around with stupid encyclopedias, symphonies and epics, it was only natural that I should become intoxicated with the sweet taste of instant success. According to a conservative estimate I was seen on Tuesday by all the country's inhabitants, except for one Shlomo Milstein. That non-conformist inhabitant had missed me because a fuse had blown just as I came on. I reconstructed the interview for his benefit in a personal letter. It is reasonable to assume that our street will be renamed "Interview Street," or "Appearance Ave.", or something of the sort.

Anyway, I had a new set of calling cards printed:

I need such calling cards badly during these cold evenings, because the ungrateful crowds seem to be forgetting me. This has come as a rude shock. Lately, it happens quite often that people look right through me, as if I were an ordinary writer and not one who has been shown. I inquired in Jerusalem whether a rerun was planned to jolt memories, but no.

And they had to postpone commercial TV!

I'm desperate. Day before yesterday they informed me that I had won the Bialik Prize. I asked whether there would be TV coverage; they said no. I did not bother to go. A charwoman at the TV studio promised to slip me among the extras in the new series "What's Your Trick?" Until then I'll be just another drab unknown, shrinking and disappearing, until I'm no more.



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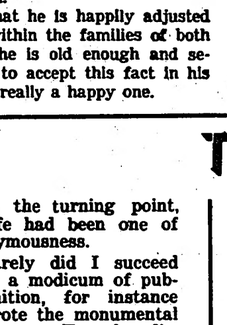

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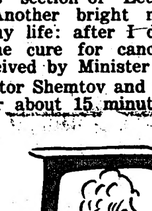

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2 lbs. breast of lamb, cut in service size pieces
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salt and pepper to taste
2 cloves garlic, minced
1 can (6 oz.) tomato paste
1/4 tsp. thyme
1 cup water
2 onions, peeled and sliced
3 carrots, sliced
1 cup dried prunes
1 cup water
3 cups hot cooked rice (from 1 cup raw rice)

Brown meat in a small amount of oil until crispy on all sides. Pour off drippings. Season meat with salt and pepper. Add garlic, onions, tomato paste and water. Cover pan and simmer 45 minutes. Add carrots, prunes and water. Cover and simmer 30 minutes or until carrots are tender, adding more water if needed. Serve with hot rice. Serves 4 to 6.

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WHY WE MUST STAND FAST

by Menahem Begin

This article is a condensation of Mr. Begin's lecture at a convention of the Zionist Organization of America in New York last month.

The resolution of November 22, 1967 of the United Nations' Security Council contains a preamble stating and even emphasizing the inadmissibility of the acquisition of territory by war. This formual is an international distortion contradicting both international law and practice. Indeed, acquisition of territory by an aggressive war is and should be inadmissible and even impermissible since a wrong cannot create a right, but when a nation uses its inherent right to legitimate self-defense and in the course of a fight to defend itself defeats the aggressor, then, by all the principles of international law, territorial changes in comparison with the pre-war status are not only necessary, permissible, admissible, but always recognized. Such is the difference between a war of aggression and a war of national self-defense.

TERRITORIAL CHANGE IN INTERNATIONAL LAW

The famous authority on international law Professor Elihu Lauterpacht, stated that "territorial change cannot properly take place as a result of the unlawful use of force, but to omit the word 'unlawful' is to change the substantive content of the rule and to turn an important safeguard of legal principle into an aggressor's charter." But no charter under international law can be that of an aggressor.

This great, golden rule of international law found its expression after the First World War. In the peace treaty with Germany at Versailles, with Austria at San Germain, with Hungary at Trianon, and with Turkey at Sevres and Lausanne -- in all those peace treaties, far - reaching territorial changes were made, including acquisition, by war, of hundreds of thousands of square miles as against the aggressor for the benefit of the nations which defended themselves.

But there is a contention that this rule applied only until the Charter of the United Nations was promulgated, signed and ratified. This contention is without foundation whatsoever. The Charter was ratified and signed in 1945, but in 1947 peace treaties were signed in Paris (with Italy, Finland, Hungary, Bulgaria, and Roumania), in which acquisition of territory from the aggressor for the benefit of the nations which defended themselves was again recognized -- and this was nearly two years after the UN Charter came into force. In September 1951, the treaty of peace between Japan and the United States of America was signed, and far - reaching territorial changes took place. Japan lost and gave up according to that treaty any claim and title to Formosa, the Pescadores, Korea, the Antarctic Region, and the Kurile Islands. Both America and Russia thus acquired something by war, all because it was an aggressive war by Japan and a defensive war by the United States of America and its allies. In 1956 Soviet Russia signed a declaration of peace with Japan and it got Southern Sakhalin and the Kurile Islands. All those international documents were signed many years (two, six and even eleven years) after the Charter of the United Nations was signed. Lately, in 1970, a representative of Germany went to Moscow and to Warsaw, and in those two cities he signed treaties with the Soviet Union and with Poland, according to which Germany now recognizes the rule and jurisdiction of Russia in Eastern Prussia and the Oder-Neisse line. This means the acquisition by Poland of hundreds of thousands of square kilometers between the former German-Polish border and the line formed by the Oder-Neisse rivers, an area which Germany had ruled for eight hundred years, and the whole world says that those two treaties, recognizing the post-bellum status quo of the territorial changes, is a step towards the establishment of peace in Europe and throughout the world. This, I think, proves the thesis that when a war is a war for national self-defense it is just, and recognized as lawful, to carry out territorial changes so that the aggressor be deterred forever and his aggression be punished.

THE SIX-DAY WAR

What was the war of June 1967 in the light of the great principles of international law? Suddenly between May 15 and June 5, 1967 tiny Israel in only a part of the lands of our ancestors was surrounded from all three directions by immense forces: seven hundred jet planes, which could have reached our homes in three to nine minutes with their thousands of tons of bombs; 1394 heavy guns; 2330 modern tanks; nearly 300,000 professional soldiers; and the concentration of those immense forces that surrounded us from the north, the east, the west and south, was accompanied by official statements by all Arab leaders in Cairo, Damascus, and all the other capitals to the effect that now the hour had struck for the annihilation of the people of Israel through the destruction of the State of Israel. It was a declaration not only of an aggressive war, but a war of complete and utter destruction. Then we took up our arms to defend ourselves; and our wonderful young generation, the equal of which our people have never had since the days of the Macabbees, saved our people from the unheard of peril of another Holocaust, another physical annihilation of the remnants of the Jewish people.

THE JARRING TALKS

It is in the light of those recognized principles and facts that we must consider the Jarring Talks. There is an illusion going around in many parts of the world that these talks are negotiations for peace. They are not. It is my task to tell you the truth. These are not negotiations for peace because the initiative which carries the name of the US Secretary of State was approved by Egypt on August 22nd, 1970 with an expectation described by the official organ of that country as follows: "After Israel withdraws to the demarcation lines of June 4, 1967, Palestinian resistance (as they call it) will develop its methods at the new stage, calling upon the Arab peoples to unite around it." In other words, even if Israel should withdraw to the pre-1967 lines we are promised, in advance, aggression and war-like activities to be supported by all Arab states. On the 30th of August 1970, Radio Cairo said that the Arabs will not negotiate with the Israelis and that the American political initiative will not lead to a peace agreement with Israel. And on the 3rd of September 1970, Mr. Haikal, the mouthpiece of the Egyptian government, said as follows: "Egypt is against any separation, geographical, political or military, between her and the other Arab peoples, especially in the East." Especially in the East -- that means Israel; and these are official statements by Egypt after she adopted the Rogers initiative. Where is the prospect for peace if such are their declarations. What is meant by negotiations if they say that there will never be a peace agreement with the Israelis? We must liberate ourselves of those illusions about negotiations for peace when we hear that such an agreement is just not feasible, when we hear such statements from the mouths of our enemies.

That a political initiative brought a cease-fire is in itself a great achievement. Perhaps no one else can understand what it means to us to listen to the radio every day and every night and to expect the dreadful news that another boy fell -- the boys are like our own sons -- this is the flower of our youth, our hope, our security, our future; and when for the last four months we got that lull, that spiritual rest, we praised the Almighty every day and we pray and we yearn that it should be prolonged because it is our most heartfelt desire. There is no nation on earth which wants peace as Israel does want peace.

THE SAM MISSILES

However, what did our enemies do after having approved of the Rogers initiative. Friday midnight the cease-fire and standstill agreement came into force; Shabbat in the morning we already learned that they moved the SA2 and SA3 missiles into the forbidden zone of 50 kilometers west of the Suez Canal. This means a far - reaching strategic change to our detriment because they have an immense, almost unimaginable, preponderance in artillery and tanks on the other side of the Canal. We also have artillery and tanks; I wouldn't say what the numbers are, but they suffice. However, our enemies have, and this should be admitted, an unmeasurable preponderance in guns and in tanks on the other side. When they opened fire we sent out our pilots. Indeed, as far as our pilots are concerned, the famous Chuchillian words about 'the so few to whom so many owe so much' are most apt. God bless the pilots of Israel. So we sent out our air force and with their activities they brought about the diminution of our casualties. Now as long as the SA2 and the SA3 missiles are there in violation of a clear agreement, covering even twenty kilometers of the eastern side of the Suez Canal, as long as they are there if the Egyptians want to reopen fire our boys will either be jeopardized in doing that job of salvation or, God forbid, they will fall. How many do we have of them? This is a strategic advantage gained by the Egyptians with the help of the Russians in violation of a clear international agreement. As a result, the government of Israel, even without the Gahal bloc, took the decision to suspend the Jarring talks until and unless, as it was stated in the government's decision of September 6, 1970, the status quo ante in the Suez Canal has been restored. The government of the United States also stressed the need to rectify the situation.

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But the situation was not restored; since September 6 more and more missiles came into that forbidden zone. Now they have between 40 and 50 batteries of those missiles, each battery counting six missiles -- the best, most modern weaponry as far as surface to air missiles are concerned. It was not rectified at all. The Russians made a mockery of it. Mr. Dobrynin said to the US Secretary of State "we have not been a part of that agreement." But the Secretary of State insisted that Mr. Dobrynin knew expressly that such was the agreement. The Egyptians declared they will not withdraw even one missile. So an international agreement was torn to shreds and we were treated to words that sounded like those used by that famous, or infamous, German Chancellor Bethman-Hollweg when he protested the action of Britain after the violation of Belgian neutrality, saying that she was going to war because of a scrap of paper! Where is mankind going if this philosophy, this Germanic philosophy, or this Nazi or communistic philosophy should rule the world?

Now we are being asked to accept this violation of the agreement, the cynical breach of an undertaking allowing an agreement to be turned into a scrap of paper and then tearing it to shreds. Why should we be asked to do so? Why should Israel be forced to go into non-existing miscalled negotiations or talks when an agreement just reached with the knowledge of both superpowers is turned into something detrimental to the little nation of Israel? Why? What are we going to say if we are forced again to those talks, the violation being in force of an agreement which ceased to exist? Are we going to say that although the missiles are there we have confidence in the word of Egypt, or are we going to say that although we don't have confidence in Egypt's word we are going to negotiate another agreement with Egypt? It sounds absolutely paradoxical, and therefore I do think that if Israel should stand by its decision of September 6, and not return to the Jarring talks unless and until the status quo of the Suez Canal is restored, public opinion throughout the world, and especially in the United States, will support such a just stand by the State of Israel.

ISRAEL ASKED TO WITHDRAW

Israel is also being asked according to several plans to withdraw to the demarcation lines of 1967. Russia asks for total withdrawal. And according to declarations made by the official spokesmen of the government of your great and free country, Israel should withdraw to the lines of 1967 with minor modifications. As a free man, I must tell you the truth. If any such plan should ever be carried out all men of good will, Jews and Christians, should know that this may mean mortal danger to the very survival of Israel and danger of death to an uncountable number of men, women and children in our land. If there should be any reparition of Eretz Israel, Fatah will come with their katyushas, with the rockets supplied to them by Russia and some even by China. What the Chinese want from us, we don't know. Anyhow, those rockets now in their possession have a range of up to 22 kilometers. Even here, in your country, his majesty King Hussein said his majesty King Hussein said that he will always support Fatah in the fight against Israel.

Now look with your mind's eye at the map. If Eretz Israel should be repartitioned or any of those plans I mentioned should ever be carried out, then the rockets manned by the Fatah, supported by Hussein, and Sadat and all the Arab states, will put under firs all our cities and towns, including Tel Aviv, Jerusalem, Ramat Gan, Petah Tikvah, Beersheba, and Bnai Brak. Who on earth has the moral right to ask our people to bow to any pressure to accept such jeopardy to the lives of our children, of our women, of our mothers, and wives? How much Jewish blood should be shed in our generation so that people understand that we cannot accept any such solution? May I ask my colleagues in the Congress of the United States whether the Senate or the House of Representatives would at any time accept any peace or so-called peace arrangements as a result of which Washington, New York, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Philadelphia, Boston, would be not potentially but actually under the fire of an enemy; would they, would any country in the world accept such a solution; who can ask us to accept such a so-called peace with permanent bloodshed, with the killing of our children? How many Moishelach and Saralach must be killed after one and a half million Jewish children were massacred in our own time? That would be the consequence of a repartition of the land of Israel.

STRATEGIC DANGERS OF WITHDRAWAL

So much for the so-called tactical peril. What would be the strategic danger? Of course we are grateful to President Nixon, to the Senate and to the House of Representatives for any supplies of weapons to Israel and their making it possible to acquire them. I would like you to know that in 1967 the ratio in aircraft between Israel and the Arabs was three to one in their favor. Now it is already four to one. In tanks it was two to one; now it is already three to one. And so in heavy guns and in all other equipment for modern war. And we are outnumbered; we are only two and a half million. And they now say that all of them will attack us. Just three and a half years ago we extricated ourselves from mortal danger. They promised to kill man, woman and child. They gave such official orders to the army: when you enter a village or a city kill off man, woman and child. We saved ourselves. Should we return to those very same conditions, this time facing their new rockets and their new ratio in aricraft, in tanks and guns? Where in the world is a man of good will who would be entitled to ask tiny Israel to take upon herself such renewed risks to her very existence and survival, at a time when all her enemies converge upon her, declaring again the day will come when they shall destroy Israel. They will not live to see that day.

ISRAEL – ALLY OF THE FREE WORLD

At the very same time, isn't Israel a faithful ally of the free world? Doesn't Israel give real service to the free world? Take a look at the map. For the last three and a half years the Suez Canal has been closed. We stand there and we shed our blood for us. Nobody is going to fight our battles. We shall do the job. Indeed we need the tools. However, as a result of our stand it now takes sixteen more days to sail from the Baltic harbors and from the ports of the Black Sea to the Bay of Tonkin, because from those places they now have to take the long way -- around the Cape of Good Hope. That is sixteen days more than it would be through the shorter seaway via the Suez Canal, either from Odessa or from Danzig and Gdynia, and other Soviet ports. This is a sixteen days' delay in getting ammunitions and arms to the Bay of Tonkin. In all truth, for the last three and a half years, little, tiny Israel saved an unaccountable number of American lives in Vietnam...The United States of America will bring an end to the war in Vietnam, but surely until that end comes, we understand it perhaps better than any other nation on earth, you want to avoid casualties. Every boy, every man is a world in himself, and Israel does help to avoid American casualties.

Now let us consider the map again. Were the Suez Canal open, what would happen to the free world? Between Mers-el-Kebir and Port Said a Soviet war fleet is now plying the blue waters of the Mediterranean: twenty-four Soviet warships, twenty-four auxiliaries, fourteen submarines, a tremendous fleet. If the Suez Canal had been open for the last three years a large part of that fleet would have come via the Canal first of all into the Persian Guld, then to the Somalian, Eritrean and the Ethiopia shores, and then into the Indian Ocean. The whole relationship of strength

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OUR CAMPUSES

by Stan Steinman

RUSSIAN JEWESS INSPIRES AUDIENCES

Luba Bershadskaja, a former Siberian concentration camp inmate, came to Toronto to assist in the Jewish Liberation Struggle. Luba, as everyone fondly called her from the beginning, came to Israel just six months ago. From the time of her arrival, she has worked incessantly for the Jewish Liberation struggle.

While in Toronto, Luba addressed three mass meetings -- one for the community at large at the Holy Blossom Temple, and two campus rallies, one at the University of Toronto and the other at York University.

ISRAEL OR SIBERIA!

Our motto, she cried, is "Israel or Siberia!". Everyone listened breathlessly as this heroic fighter spoke of hundreds of thousands of our brothers and sisters waiting, praying and struggling to leave the Soviet Union and come home. Audiences were told that they would be committing a crime were they to ignore the plight of Soviet Jewry. Luba said that even at that moment she could hear the hundreds of voices of her friends calling to her from their hearts, calling out to her not to forget them.

LET MY PEOPLE GO!

Asked if Soviet Jews want to come to America, Luba replied, "What for? Israel is our home!"

After more than fifty years of Communist brainwashing, why do the Soviet Jews cling so tenaciously to their ancestral identity and homeland? Luba spoke of the Six-Day War as a catalyst which further awakened the Jewish identity in Russia.

She related an incident, by way of illustration, of how a young Jewish writer was approached by hooligans who beat him unconscious for writing the song, "Let My People Go". Thus, lest our lost sheep among the New Left be fooled, antisemitism is quite prevalent in the "socialist garden of Eden" called Russia.

MOSCOW RABBI'S MOTIVES QUESTIONED

Luba Bershadskaja pleaded with those who were concerned about the statement of Moscow's Rabbi Levine after the Rabbi stated that Russian Jewry is not oppressed. Luba told the audience that "Rabbi Levine is the next thing to a phoney, and is trusted by no self-respecting Jew in Russia" and that "To many his credentials are in doubt".

Instead of listening to Rabbi Levine's platitudes, she urged us to demonstrate, to write letters to those Russian Jews whose addresses we know and exert all possible pressure on those who can influence the Soviets to let our people go.

ISRAEL IS OUR HOME

Some of the skeptical asked whether Luba was disappointed on arriving in Israel. Her priceless reply was that Israel made her feel like a real Yiddish Mother. Golda Meir is a heroine to her, and is apparently a mother figure to many Jews in Russia.

Sunday evening Luba and a few of the student activists got together for a few spirit-moving hours of talk and Israel folk singing. Hava Nagilla brought tears to her eyes. She told me how close to three hundred friends accompanied her to the airport in Moscow, and sang Hava Nagilla as a going away present. We were all close to tears. Our emotions were further heightened by the touching story of how those who succeeded in leaving Russia, had a custom of passing on all their symbols of Judaism such as Magen Davids, yarmulkas etc. to those waiting and hoping for their turn to leave. We asked Luba Bershadskaja, how the Jewish Liberation Struggle in the Soviet Union differed from that in North America. She replied, "The Jews of the USSR are putting their lives on the line".

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